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After tense debate, Newry appoints Brooks Morton to withdrawal panel

BY ALISON ALOISIO

A half hour discussion Monday on who should serve on Newry's school Withdrawal Committee was for a time stalled in a standoff between Selectmen Gary Wight and Brooks Morton.

It culminated eventually in the appointment of Morton to the committee, which selectmen are assembling in response to a vote by townspeople in September.

The committee, which will create a plan for Newry to withdraw from SAD 44 for residents to vote on, needs four members. Three were appointed last week (SAD 44 School Director Bonnie Largess, petitioner Jim Sysko and general public member William Andrews). But when the final slot, a selectman, was brought up for discussion, all three selectmen expressed interest. Chair Wendy Hanscom said she was concerned that the committee membership was becoming weighted toward people favoring withdrawal.

Morton, however, said Hanscom had a conflict of interest because she works in the SAD 44 central office. She did not press her request to serve, but when Morton also questioned whether she should even vote on appointing someone else, she objected. The board decided to postpone a decision and

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Nov. 4 polling hours and sites

Town	Time	Location
Albany	8 a.m. - 8 p.m.	Town Hall
Andover	8 a.m. - 8 p.m.	Town Hall
Bethel	8 a.m. - 8 p.m.	CPS gym
Gilead	10 a.m. - 8 p.m.	Town Hall
Greenwood	8 a.m. - 8 p.m.	American Legion
Newry	8 a.m. - 8 p.m.	Town Office
Upton	8 a.m. - 8 p.m.	Ladies' Aid Bldg.
Woodstock	8 a.m. - 8 p.m.	Town Office

Bus, wedding, other traffic a worry on Sunday River Road worries residents

BY ALISON ALOISIO

Several Newry residents expressed concern last week about the safety of parts of the Sunday River Road, which they said has seen a significant increase in traffic in recent years.

"We drive the Sunday River Road on a regular basis from the Monkey Brook intersection to Douglass [Road]," Gary Drown told selectmen at their meeting last week. "What we're seeing is a huge increase in traffic on that road. We have anywhere from three to maybe five weddings every weekend all summer long. A lot of those people are delivered to those weddings by bus and the Sunday River shuttle, which carries a number of people. What type of liability does the town have if a bus flips over, people are hurt, and the bus company finds out that that road is not maintained to town standards?"

Selectman Brooks Morton said the town is responsible for filling potholes when they appear, and Code Enforcement Officer Dave Bonney cited part of state law requiring towns to provide "safe and convenient" travel on town roads.

Road resident Peter Kenney wondered about long term plans.

"There's several parts of the road that need to be addressed sooner than later, such as just before the covered bridge where the road falls away on a curve," he said. "When logging trucks pass there, it gets a little hairy." He said the road is also narrow in places, and visitors not familiar with the road have more trouble negotiating it.

He said he was involved in an accident in that area several years ago. "There's dropoffs there you could lose a car in," he added.

Kenney also said the signage is in poor condition at the end of the winter. "The signs tend to be flopped over and turned around and bent. It kind of looks shabby," he said. "It looks like a third world country out there."

The traffic has increased "tremendously," Kenney said, including people traveling to weddings, Franchman's Hole, Letter S, the bridge, as well as from more housing and logging operations.

"I've been out there 20 years and it's tenfold what it was 20 years ago and I haven't seen hardly any work done on it," he said. "A couple sections here and there, but nothing serious. It really speaks to an upgrade along the whole length of that section."

Engineer Jim Sysko, who also attended the meeting, said he had walked that section of road about 10 years ago at the

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OXFORD HILLS LEAGUE CHAMPS-Front: Mariana Colby, Mario DeVivo, Alexander Baribeau, Myles Lilly, Leah Kimball, Autumn Harrison, Celia Melanson. Second row: Harry Connors, Jake Chiasson, Huntley Blair, Molly Pereira, Hannah Pierce. Third row: Hayden Smith, Maddie Hallett, Brooklyn Hallett, Ellen Files, Macie Hallett. Back: Coaches John DeVivo and Doug Pereira. Absent from photo: Austin Westleigh, Isabella DeVivo, Orion Fournier. Brewster Burns

Bethel Bombers win OH League title

The Bethel Bombers 5th/6th Grade Soccer Team won the Oxford Hills League Championship Tournament Saturday with one-goal victories in its quarterfinal, semifinal, and final matches.

Despite being beset by illness and inconsistent play over its last three

games and finishing the regular season with a 3-3 record, the team rallied on tournament day with three low-scoring, but dominant wins, and avenged earlier season losses in the quarterfinal and final.

The Boosters' League 5th/6th grade division is comprised of a total

of ten teams from Oxford, Harrison, Paris, Hebron, Waterford, Norway, and Bethel, all of whom played in the tournament.

The final three games saw Bethel rally without three of its best players to play its best team soccer of the season en route to the title. The Bombers defeated "Harrison B" 1-0

in the quarterfinal, "Oxford A" 1-1 (1-0 on penalty kicks) in the semifinal, and Waterford 1-0 in the final.

Crisp passing, strong midfield play, and tight defense were the rules of the day for the entire team, while goals were

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SAD 44 students do science at the "Big E"

BY AMY CHAPMAN

A group of local students who attended last month's Eastern States Exposition faced a dual challenge:

First, use hands-on skills to demonstrate an understanding of scientific principles such as Newton's laws of motion and the difference between potential and kinetic energy, using only simple, low-cost household materials.

Then, using language and communication skills, be prepared to explain the experiments to an audience and answer their questions.

Accompanied by Tonya Prentice, a fifth-grade teacher at Woodstock Elementary School, and 4-H Community Educator Becky Mosley, several SAD 44 students spent two days at the "Big E" in Springfield, Mass. as part of a University of Maine Cooperative Extension 4-H program.

In addition to teaching

in SAD 44, Prentice has worked at the Bryant Pond 4-H Camp and Learning Center for eight summers. This was the second time she has brought students to the Big E.

Thousands of people attend the event each day, and many of them stopped by the 4-H booth to see the demonstrations of STEM (science, technology, engineering,

and mathematics) learning put on by the group.

The students themselves were responsible for the demonstrations, and for explaining the science behind them, she said.

"Becky and I and the other adults stand back, and the kids run the show. It's about communication and demonstrating what they've learned. It's nice to watch

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Hanover OKs budget; selectmen to explore school withdrawal, other education options

BY ALISON ALOISIO

At Tuesday's annual Town Meeting, about a dozen Hanover voters approved a \$177,832 municipal budget. The budget is down from last year's \$199,202, but because of increasing school costs, total appropriations will be up about \$50,000 over last year, to \$504,163.

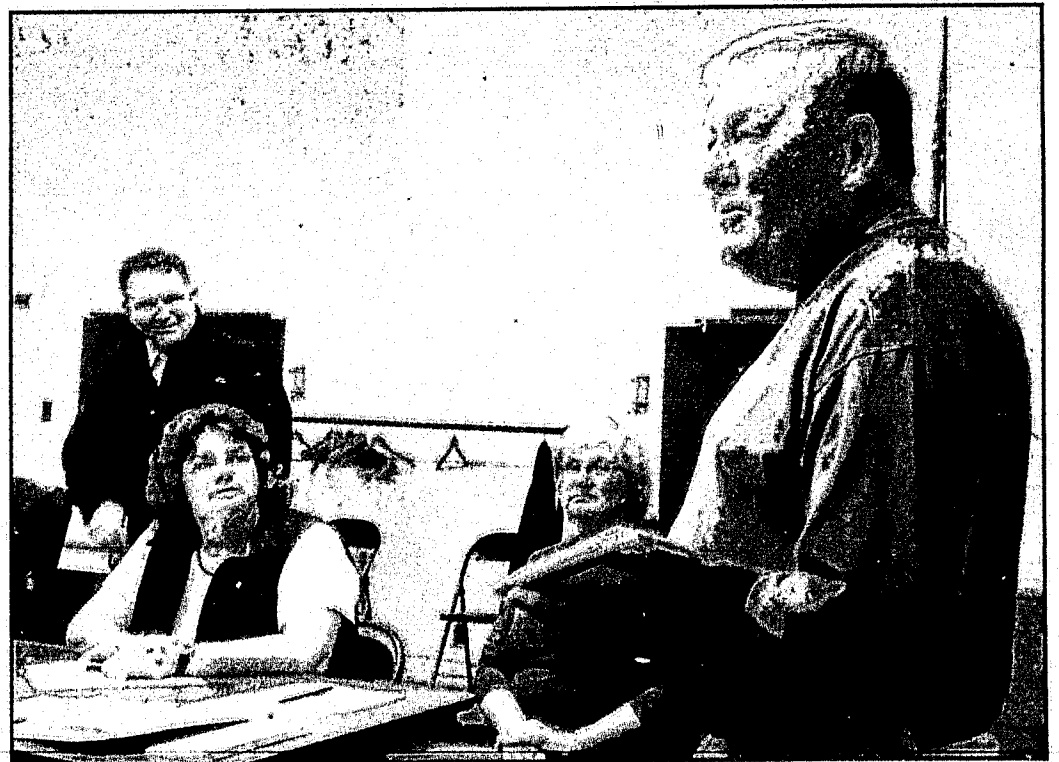
Selectman Dick Stratton estimated the mill rate will likely rise from 8.3 to about 9.3. He said the board had set a goal of keeping the increase at a mill or less.

No money was proposed for capital improvement projects, compared to \$25,000 last year.

Selectman Frank Morrison said there was no room in the budget for road improvements to the town's five miles of roads. Delaying work, however, will lead to a large bill in the future, he said, as estimates for road improvements are generally about \$1 million per mile.

Hanover's school budget share as a member of RSU 10 for 2015 is \$346,331, up from \$276,374. The town has been using carry-forward money from a balance it had accumulated in its education fund to reduce district taxes in recent years.

Hanover joined RSU 10 in 2009 under school consolidation, after having been independent and tuitioning its students to SAD 43, 44 and Gould Academy. As the 2014 town report describes, the consolidation agreement



VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR-Hanover recognized Bob Susbury (right, with plaque) as the town's Volunteer of the Year at Tuesday's Town Meeting. Susbury volunteers at the Town Office, the library and at town functions. "He's there all the time," said Town Clerk Kelly Harrington. In the background from left are moderator Jarrod Crockett, Harrington and office assistant Ellie Andrews. A. Aloisio

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**CHRISTMAS FAIR
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Letters

GEM AND MINERAL CHARITY AUCTION

To the Editor:

For the past 40 years, the Oxford County Gem and Mineral Association has conducted a charity auction in November. Every year we auction off minerals, jewelry and other stuff with all proceeds going to Christmas programs. In the past the money went to either Bethel or Norway.

Last year we raised \$600 and split the funds between Christmas for Families and Christmas for Kids. We hope to do the same this year.

In addition to items donated by club members, we will have material donated by several local miners, including Jeff Morrison and Gary Freeman.

The event is open to the public. It will be Nov. 7 at 7 p.m. at the Oxford Hills High School.

If you wish to make a donation, contact me at 665-2607 or Dennis Gross (the Mineral Collector) at 665-2759. We will even pick the stuff up.

Ken Briggs
President OCG&MA

VOTE 'YES' ON 1

To the Editor:

As we approach the moment of truth regarding the "bear referendum," I, like so many of my neighbors and colleagues, have given much thought to this matter. Although I am not a wildlife biologist, I have spent 50-plus years tramping through the Maine woods. I have also done considerable reading and studying about animal life in our woods. It is a favorite interest of mine. I've spent much time on the back roads searching for a glimpse of a moose, a deer, a porcupine or other. Only once have I come across a bear. It was peacefully munching on some blackberries, but once it became aware of my presence, it quickly bounded off in the direction opposite me.

I'm not saying that bears are not dangerous. It's just that they're not interested in spending any time with us or eating us. Could they hurt us? Sure. Bears are a fact of life in our Maine environment. If you want to live in the state of Maine, it is incumbent upon YOU to educate yourself regarding bear behavior. Keep yourself and your property safe. For example, many bee keepers enclose their hives behind electric fences. Just saying...

The August 2014 issue of Down East Magazine had a well-balanced article by Brian Kevin regarding our bear concerns. One quote in particular caught my attention. It is: "Fewer than 20 humans have been killed by a black bear in the lower 48 [states] since 1900." That is a statistic worth considering since some of the concern that has been expressed by the citizenry has been regarding fear of an exploding bear population if we change the hunting rules to enforce more humane treatment of the quarry. Nothing could be further from the truth. In general terms, wildlife is and always has been self-regulating. Various populations wax and wane in accordance with the dictates of nature. Food supply, weather conditions, territory and other natural considerations determine the outcome. Thus it has been for thousands of years. Do we seriously have the hubris to think that baiting, hounding and trapping are better ways of controlling bears than Mother Nature's way? And by the way, who was in charge of bears before the white man came to this continent? In truth, we are the problem. And while I have high regard for the good intentions and hard work of the Inland Fishery and Wildlife people, let us not lose sight of the fact that that organization benefits from the dollars brought to Maine from out-of-state hunters, individuals who do not live here or give rudimentary lip service to the concerns of the State of Maine, then return to their home state with their trophy and give no further thought to us until the next hunting season.

During the course of this debate, the word "emotion" has been regularly bandied about, as if it were a dirty word. Well, of course emotion is involved in this matter. Compassion is a hallmark of humanity. Compassion is, after all, one of the finest and quintessentially human qualities of our race.

Hunt, if you must, but do not torture and take unfair advantage of these magnificent creatures. Baiting, hounding and trapping are cowardly and shabby. The use of these methods is barbaric and the final outcome is tantamount to execution. To allow such egregious practices to continue in the State of Maine drags us all into the dark ages and, sadly, diminishes our humanity.

Please vote YES on referendum No. 1.

Kathy Berberion
Bethel

Hanover

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nover about the cost increases, considering the number of Hanover students. As a result, he said, selectmen want to explore other options, including possibly a change in the local funding share or withdrawal from RSU 10.

He said town officials plan to

research the steps involved in a withdrawal process.

In elections at Tuesday's meeting, interim Town Clerk Kelly Harrington was elected town clerk, tax collector and treasurer. Morrison was re-elected to a three-year term unopposed.

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POLLING LOCATION DESERVES PROMINENCE

To the Editor:

Forgive my lapses, but we've scoured the Bethel Citizen, talked to some I consider to be informed folks, and we don't find any written notice of out polling location for Nov. 4. It seems to me that it's an item deserving of prominent and early notice and I'd like to request that issue to be discussed in our BOS meeting and the Bethel Citizen.

Seabury and Sharon Lyon
Bethel

SKI SALE THANKS

To the Editor:

The 34th annual Bethel Outing Club's Ski Sale this past Friday and Saturday was a great success. This is the Outing Club's biggest fundraiser; the funds support Nordic skiing programs in area schools as well as many programs throughout the year that foster healthy outdoor activity in the community for all age groups. The sale helps folks find and sell affordable winter sports equipment, and builds community in Western Maine. A big thanks to the huge group of volunteers that make this event happen; to Gould Academy for the use of its facilities and to the Bethel Inn Resort and Hurricane Island Outward Bound School for the use of their tables.

It couldn't have happened without these people: Amy Call, Amanda Moran, Andee and Doug Alford, Andrew Glasfeld, Annalise Hawthorne, Anne Marie Mahar, Ann Speth, Beth Clarke, Beth Hodgdon, Bethany Weisberger, Betsy Doyon, Blake Rothwell, Bob Baribeau, Brett, Mia, and Eli Shifrin, Bri Bailey, Brooke Hallett, Bruce Johnston, Bruce Pierce, Callie Pecunies, Carla Boyle-Wight, Carlie Casey, Cassie Mason, Catherine Hefernan, Charlie Reiss and Bethel Kitchen Design, Chris Barstow, Chris Hayward and Mahoosuc Rescue, Christine Trefethen, Dan Elliot, Dave Bean, David Walker, Deanna and Bruce Fowles, Deb Webster and The Eddy School, Dennis Doyon, Doug Zinchuck, Ed Ken-nett and Mahoosuc Realty, Eileen and Marta Opie, Eric Boyle-Wight, Fred Bailey, Fred Call, Gabi Stone, Gary Imman, Georgia Gould, Gregory Wheeler, Isabel Chase, Isaac and Dylan Greenberg, Jaxen Call, Jeff and Leanne Candura, Jessie and Thomas Herling, Jonathan and Kate Goldberg, Julia and Jim Reuter, Justin Bondesen, Kaitlyn Brown, Karen Wilson, Kate Rideout, Ken Hotopp, Martha and Kirk Siegel, Laura, Huntley and Ella Blair, Lauren Head, Liam Gallagher, Lida and Bob Iles, Lilo Bean, Lily Drew, Livy Clarke, Lorrie Hoeh, Maggie Lore, Maisey Griffin, Mike Cooper, Nancy Babcock, Norm Greenberg, Pattie and Jeff Parsons, Peter Southam with Gould's Mountain Biking Team, Brad Clarke and Adam Leff with Gould's Cross Country teams, Peter Schwarz, Ricco Call, Rob-in Gorrell, Sarah Southam, Sarah Weaver, Saranne Taylor, Shanta, Jon, EB, and Mae Hoff, Subin Jung, Suzanne Newsom Pierce, Tara Pocock, Todd Seikman and the Gould Outing Club, Tracyn Thayer, Vicky Fimiani, Wade Kavanaugh and Doug Zinchuk. Thank you to anyone we may have missed here. Your work was greatly appreciated.

Thanks to all in the community who came and shopped. See you next year on the last Friday and Saturday of October.

Meanwhile, please consider either joining BOC or subscribing to the BOC listserv - information on both, and much more, can be found at www.bethelouting.org

Tracyn Thayer and Amanda Moran, Ski Sale Volunteer Coordinators
On behalf of the Bethel Outing Club

SUPPORT PECUNIES AND PATRICK

To the Editor:

Our poor and middle class are in shambles. We need representatives who will stand up for us and not more tax breaks for corporations and the top 1 percent. Callie Pecunies and John Patrick will fight for a living wage for people who now often have to work two or even three jobs just to support themselves and their families. They will fight to bring hundreds of millions of dollars of federal funds (monies you and I have paid in federal taxes) BACK into state coffers to support our hospitals which are crying for us to do so. I urge you to vote for the middle class this election. Vote for Callie Pecunies and John Patrick.

Chandler McGrew
Bethel

GIVE BEARS A CHANCE

To the Editor:

The Fair Bear Hunting Referendum aims to give bears a fair chance, not to stop the hunting of Maine black bears. It aims to ban trapping and using dogs and bait to hunt bears by attracting them to a consistent location where piles of donuts are routinely placed.

Hounding - chasing bears with hounds - doesn't just begin at the onset of legal hunting season but in the summer while guides and hunters train their hunting hounds to harass bears. One story came to me of a young bear being chased by hounds to exhaustion. The bear finally found refuge under tree roots with dogs howling around him. The houndsman came and prodded the frightened and exhausted bear out of his temporary refuge only to be chased again by the hounds.

The all-out campaign by Inland Fish and Wildlife now characterizes the Fair Bear Referendum as being against "baiting and related practices," avoiding the explicit mention that it is also against trapping and hounding. I suppose they think baiting would be less objectionable to voters, so let's just not mention using packs of remotely-tracked dogs and piles of donuts.

And yes, bear hunting does bring more money to Maine and yes, some guides do make at least part of their income by assuring hunters of their take-home trophy, but that does not make it the right thing to do. And Colorado, Oregon, and Washington - whose citizens banned these practices twenty years ago - still have bear hunting and guide businesses in full swing.

Joyce White
Stoneham

GRATEFUL TO THE COMMUNITY

To the Editor:

After 25 years of teaching Explorations: Classes in Creative Development I will be hanging its last exhibit on Nov. 15 at the Grand Jordan Hotel at Sunday River.

For nearly all those 25 years, Sunday River has been a generous donor of exhibit space. I want to thank their Conference Sales department for always treating me like a paying customer and enthusiastically making the day go smoothly.

Robin Zinchuk, Director of the Bethel Chamber of Commerce, not only enrolled all four of her sons in my art classes, but also often showcased the program at the Spring Awards Banquet. Many people and businesses have contributed to the Scholarship Fund over the years, making it possible for no child to be turned away due to cost. To all those people I am very grateful. Your gifts impacted many young people's lives.

Ron Kendall, Jay Hardy, Gary Stuer and Wendy Penley have all served on my Advisory Board but I have to single out Wendy, as she has done that generous mentoring for all 25 years. Without her business experience and knowhow, this intuitive artist type would have not been able to navigate those waters. It's hard to express how much I appreciate all that she has done for me - her generosity, her friendship and her encouragement over all the ups and downs of those 25 years.

And major thankfulness to all the parents, adult students and kids who trusted me to open themselves up to their creative sides, exploring that unpredictable place with enthusiasm. I hope that any former students who are in the area can join the current students, parents and public and come celebrate with us, from 2 to 4, at the Grand Jordan on Nov. 15.

Arla Patch
Bryant Pond

HEAD UNDERSTANDS PEOPLE

To the Editor:

When I first learned that Fran Head was going to run for the House representing my district, it made me swell with pride. Imagine if you will the idea of a self-created business woman who was born and reared in this area coming to the table with a rich life history. Fran certainly knows how to connect with folks. Make no mistake about it Fran understands just how difficult it is to make ends meet.

Fran came up during the time in America that our grandfathers would speak about with pride for many years. Fran also understands that folks in Maine take pride in their day to day life. That said, they want a job not a handout.

Now let's take a look at some issues that demand attention. The health and wellbeing of Maine's senior citizens. Fran Head has an established history of working side by side with our aunts and uncles, mothers and fathers, sisters and brothers. Fran thoroughly understands the fears that our seniors face day to day.

Fran head understands the fear and loathing that exist in our land as a result of the insidious disease known as Alzheimer's or commonly once referred to as dementia. Fran Head feels their isolation and their fear about losing sight of that so-called golden year period only to be darkened by the insidious cloud of a debilitating condition that robs those who worked so hard in their lives. Make no mistake about it, Fran Head is the only candidate in this race who understands the effects of the blight known as domestic violence.

Now here is something else that a friend of the Fran Head campaign shared with her. Imagine you are out walking the trail down at Davis Park. Now that trail is by far one of the best that I have ever walked on; it is so alive with songs, various birds like my favorite the redwing blackbird, or an occasional turtle meandering its way to the river. So our friend is walking the trail minding herself, taking in the scent of fall and suddenly a stranger invades and, some would speculate, violates her personal space by rudely questioning her as to who she was going to vote for in the upcoming house race. My friend wisely replied that who she votes for is her business. In return, the stranger replied in a caustic manner "Whatever you do, don't vote for Fran Head." That kind of behavior has no place in our community.

Folks, I have to say frankly that by voting for Fran Head, you can rest easy. Fran Head is a candidate who when elected will stand up for the needs of and concerns of the voters of District 117. At this stage of the game of life, we cannot afford to hand over the keys to someone who has not experienced the challenges that life in rural Maine presents.

Richard Begin
Bethel

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Our Back Pages

BY DANNA BROWN NICKERSON

10 years ago: The Telstar High School varsity field hockey team advanced to the Western Class C Championship title game with a 3-0 win over Lisbon.

Veterinarian Dr. Gary Stuer began offering acupuncture treatment for pets at his Bethel Animal Hospital.

Deaths: Frederick Des-Roches, Samuel J. Redman, Albert H. Taylor, Ora M. Ryerson.

20 years ago: The Bethel Outing Club's 13th annual ski sale was held at the Gould Academy Field House.

A sled-and-toboggan laden tractor trailer truck failed to negotiate the curve on Route 26 in Bryant Pond village, tipped on its side and slid into a building housing two businesses.

Births: Benjamin Robert Bancroft Brown, Jarred Carl Loring.

Deaths: Elizabeth S. Young, Francis E. Remington, Jr., Robert V. Chapman, Minnie Pearl Hines, Douglas W. McCrodden.

30 years ago: Bethel Town Manager William Judson resigned to take the position of economic development officer for Franklin County.

American Legion Auxiliary 68 sponsored a well-attended "Afternoon Social" at the American Legion Hall in Locke's Mills.

Birth: Justin Clark Tibbetts.

Death: Marion A. Kendall.

40 years ago: Bethel's Highway Dept. had recently completed a drainage and paving project on Clark Street.

Due to a more than 30 percent increase in the cost of paper and mailing, "The Citizen" announced the single copy price would increase to 15¢, and subscription rates to \$5.25 and \$6.25 per year.

Births: Billie Jo Robinson, Victoria Lea Schroeder, Tobias Melvin Farrington, Heather Ann Keniston.

Deaths: William Hadakin, Mrs. Mary A. Grindle, William C. Chapman II.

50 years ago: Dr. John Young had moved his practice to the new office at the rear of his home on Broad Street.

About 200 were present to her Sen. Margaret Chase Smith when she spoke at the Franklin Street Methodist Church in Rumford.

60 years ago: Children of the primary grades enjoyed a Halloween party at the Legion Home, sponsored by the Mundt-Allen Post, American Legion and Auxiliary.

Bethel TV Center advertised 17" TVs from \$159.95-\$209.95 and 21" console TVs, \$209.95-\$299.95. All sets included free rabbit ears.

Birth: Terry Lou Berryment.

Death: Arthur C. Coolidge.

70 years ago: The local Boy Scout Troop, with five patrols, was under the leadership of Dr. G.L. Kneeland, Scoutmaster.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reed went to Ormand, Fla. for the winter.

Deaths: Harry H. Crockett, Clarence F. Briggs, Mrs. Irene Luxton.

80 years ago: Gerard S. Williams opened the law office of Henry H. Hastings on the corner of Main and Broad Streets.

Buildings on the old Dunham farm, South Woodstock, were destroyed by fire of undetermined origin. The buildings were unoccupied.

Deaths: Millard Emmons, Claude L. Cushman, Sherman Verrill, Charles Vashaw.

90 years ago: About 60 pair of snowshoes were stolen from the showroom at the factory of the Ellingwood Turning Company, West Paris. The loss was estimated at \$400.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Huit and family returned from Munroe, La., where they has spent the past year.

Death: Carroll L. Hutchinson.

100 years ago: Mrs. Marion True Gehring bestowed, in memory of her mother Mrs. True, the electric lights for the Congregational parsonage.

Ivan Arno and Earl Cummings went to Pinehurst, N.C., for employment at Hotel Carolina.

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Letters

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FRAN HEAD FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE

To the Editor:

We teamed up on the weekend before the election to write this letter in support of our grandmother, who we call Nan Fran. She is running for State Representative, and we have had an exciting few months campaigning with her all over Western Maine.

We have marched in parades, helped folks recycle at the transfer station and have been spreading the word to get out and vote, and to vote for Fran Head on Nov. 4.

One thing we have both noticed about Nan Fran is how much she listens to people along the campaign trail. She likes hearing about what people have to say about government and how to solve the problems facing people today.

We are proud of the job she has done in so many different roles including select board, school board and budget committee, and that is just to name a few. Most importantly, we are proud of the job she does as our grandmother, because we know how much time she spends with us while living such a busy life. She always makes time to enjoy our sporting events, sleepovers and church on Sunday. Although we are not old enough to vote in this election, we give Nan Fran our total support.

Vote for Fran Head on Nov. 4!

Jillian and Wyatt Thielbar
Albany

SUPPORT FRAN HEAD ON NOV. 4

To the Editor:

I'm writing to make sure you knew that we have a tremendous opportunity to elect someone who I believe will serve us well in the State Legislature - my wife - Fran Head.

Fran is a businesswoman, town official and volunteer. I can honestly say that I am proud of the work she has done for western Maine, even though I had to cook my own supper once or twice.

Fran is approachable, committed and knows that serving as our next State Representative will be more than a job title, it will be a job description.

Believe me when I say that local families will be well served by Fran Head as our next State Representative. Please Vote for Fran Head on Nov. 4.

David Head
Bethel

JOIN ME IN SUPPORTING FRAN HEAD

To the Editor:

I believe that Fran will become our next State Representative because of her strong local roots, her unwavering work ethic and the determination she shows every single day to make our community even brighter.

Fran will be a Representative of the people, not the elite. Fran will represent all of us, not just her friends. Fran doesn't care if you are a Republican, Democrat or Independent. Fran knows how to best move our state forward because she has been so involved in our community for many years.

Fran is an inspiration and I know she will continue to be someone I look up to. Please, vote for Fran Head for State Representative. She will get the job done, and believe me, she is the best choice for all of us.

Cyle Marriott
Bethel

FRAN HEAD IS ONE OF US

To the Editor:

Fran has worked for decades to make our community even stronger, more prosperous, and to control spending. Fran has done so with great success because she is one of us. Fran knows what it is like to learn from others, join causes worth fighting for, and most recently when to stand up and be counted. She is a good person who is the real deal.

Fran has done tremendous work as a member on the Gil-ead select board, SAD 44 school board, and Bethel budget committee. At the county level, Fran has served on the Oxford county budget committee and currently as a supervisor on the Soil and Water Conservation District. These experiences demonstrate her willingness to serve her community, as well as an understanding of how government works for us - the people.

A vote for Fran Head is a vote for a person with a clear head who sees the big picture.

I am certain that she will use these attributes in the Legislature while weighing what is best for their communities in western Maine.

Vote for Fran Head on Nov. 4. Fran is truly the best choice.

Arlan Jodrey
Bethel

FRAN HEAD FOR STATE HOUSE

To the Editor:

You can't write a letter about Fran Head without the word "respect." Fran respects her neighbors, her clients at Maine Street Realty and the folks involved in many volunteer groups.

I've seen Fran work hard - really hard - for the people of Oxford County. Fran has taken the reins of the Bethel Seniors Group, and has done a tremendous job increasing participation.

We need people in elected office who don't require "on the job training." Fran is the only candidate in this race who has ever held elected office. More importantly, Fran has served the people of our area for many years in official capacities because it was the right thing to do, not because she was looking for attention or another stepping stone.

Fran has offered to represent us, the people of House District 117, and I ask that you cast your ballot for the best qualified candidate in this race, Fran Head.

Barbara Mohler
Bethel

DISTRICT 117 CANDIDATE A BREATH OF FRESH AIR

To the Editor:

I am excited about the candidacy of Callie Pecunies for Maine House District 117 because she is doing what most of us don't find the time and energy to do. She is stepping forward in the midst of her busy young family life and offering to represent us in Augusta.

And why do I admire this? Because Callie has firsthand knowledge of several facets of our area which are important to all of us. First, she has two young sons at Crescent Park School, volunteers there frequently, and sees firsthand the challenges which our education system is facing right now.

Second, she has been involved in the outdoor recreation industry for many years and has clear reasons for protecting Maine's incredible environment for the benefit of both residents of western Maine and visitors. As a small business co-owner, she also knows the economic realities of living in this area.

Finally, she has had medical challenges in her own family which have made it clear to her that every person in Maine deserves competent, comprehensive health care. Callie's voice will be a breath of fresh air in Augusta, and she will be speaking for all of us.

Bonnie Pooley
Bethel

VOTE FOR FRAN HEAD

To the Editor:

Please join me in voting for Fran Head for the Maine House seat for District 117. Fran is a lifelong resident of District 117 and has a real connection with the local residents, their needs and wishes. Being a successful businesswoman and owning her own business, she will have a clear understanding of what it takes to make the hard decisions that she will face when she gets to Augusta. Reckless spending for decades is the biggest problem we face here in Maine. We need a candidate who understands fiscal responsibility and will stand with the ordinary taxpayers and understands that our fiscal situation is not due to not raising enough taxes but to the fact that we have an obsession with spending money on failed or unnecessary policies. Please join me in voting for Fran Head.

Doug Webster
Chairman of the Newry Republican Party

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Traffic

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request of the town and did a report, citing culvert problems and narrow areas. He said a 16 foot road width is not wide enough on a curve.

Bonney said some repairs had been done over the years, citing the fix of a hump in the road, as well as ditching and culvert replacement.

He said the road is generally considered to be an 18-foot-wide road with some sections wider than that, but also with some curves that need attention.

Town Administrator Loretta Powers said Newry has a rotating road improvement plan for the next decade. In recent years, several bridges have been fixed and the Skiway Access Road improved.

She said a section of the Sunday River Road beyond the Monkey Brook Road intersection is on the schedule for 2015.

And, she said, "We call quite frequently to get potholes filled."

The residents, however,

said the fixes do not last long.

Kenney said he could not believe that in a town that does not need to provide many municipal services, such as water or sewer, and "with the monies that we bring in ... that we can't have decent roads for the few miles of roads that we have. The place should look like a state park. This is a tourist area. We're inviting people out there to recreate. There's government land designated to that at the end of this road. The traffic that comes into the covered bridge on a daily basis, it's amazing. I'd love to have a gift shop there. We're inviting people out there to a beautiful setting, and the road's garbage."

"It's not good, I agree," said Powers.

Morton said he favored an "aggressive" approach to dealing with the road. "It might a little more tax money, but it's got to happen or else it'll cost even more down the road," he said.

Chairman Wendy Hanscom said the town has been spending about \$200,000 a year on road improvements. She asked the residents what they would support as far as the extent of the improvements.

"Bring the roads to town specs," said Drown. "I don't think anything less than that would be fair. The town sets the rules on the roads. Why wouldn't the town want to maintain the roads that they have to their own specifications?"

Kenney wondered if the town could take out a bond to fund all the work at once.

Hanscom said the selectmen would consider options.

"We will take a hard look at it during budget season," she said.

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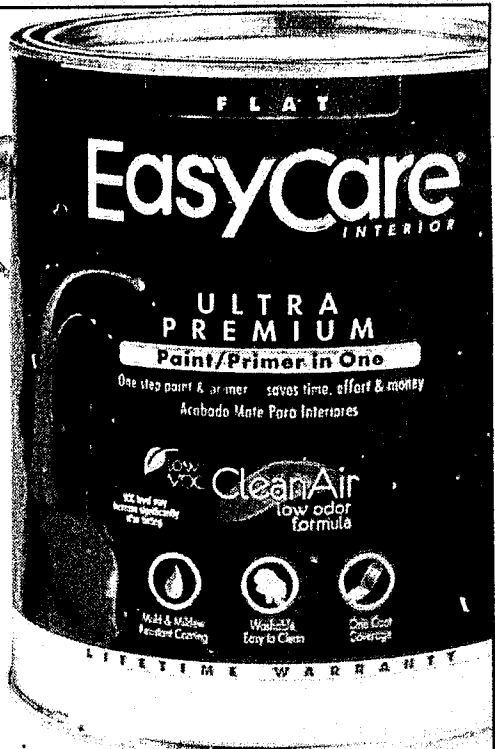
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SMILE FUND THANKS

To the Editor:
The World Service Committee at the Congregational Church wants to say thank you, thank you all for the success of our public supper to support the Smile Fund.
As so many people shared in making this fundraiser, it is time to acknowledge at least a few for their hard work. Those efforts contributed to raising over \$1,000 and it means we can help put a real smile for a person in need of dentures.
So, extra special thanks to Bernie Trefethen, Debby Hays, Roberta Taylor, David Baker, Eileen Opie, Sean at the IGA for his generosity, Jan Whitworth and so many church members. A lot of work, energy, commitment to the Smile Fund. All the support was amazing.
It is all about success, smiles and the ability to hold one's head up because the smile on that person's face is all we ask.

Lynn Mason
Bethel

SUPPORT CALLIE PECUNIES

To the Editor:
I would like to take part in this very important privilege of publicly voicing my endorsement of Callie Pecunies to the Maine House of Representatives, District 117. In these times of fast paced changes we find ourselves overwhelmed by what is taking place and all too often confused by the mixed messages we are given for these changes. I for one would welcome clear explanations for the directions our elected officials take in Augusta, why and how they will affect our lives. We live in a very special part of this country, one with many resources, human and natural. It is a place where people are moving, looking to raise their families and live out their remaining years, we need to protect what we have. Callie holds dear the values of protecting the environment but also realizes the need for growth. Seeing that all children receive the best education available, and by doing so provide jobs where they can eventually remain and raise their own family, is her dedicated focus. I see Callie as being current with these tasks at hand. She is a young mother, business person, and very energetic, the right person for this job. It is important that we have our say, and I say Callie.

Wm. Timothy Kavanagh, Retired SAD 44 Teacher
Albany

FRAN HEAD HAS EARNED MY VOTE

To the Editor:
It is time to vote Fran Head for State Representative. I have known Fran for years and seen her stay involved with community affairs at many levels.
Some of these endeavors have been public and some have been less visible. She doesn't care about the limelight. Fran isn't running for State Representative for the media attention. What she does care about are individuals, businesses and employees. Fran understands how things fit together and work. That is why she will make an excellent state representative, because she gets it.
Fran knows how to balance a budget, and not just her own. Fran owns a business and has served on the budget committee for the town of Bethel and for Oxford County. Fran respects the fact that "investing in our state" is actually government spending other people's money. More specifically, our money. That's also how she looked at things while on the school board and as a Selectman. She will take the same approach in Augusta.
I'll be voting for a smart businesswoman, a real Mainer and a trusted public servant who we can all get behind. Vote for Fran Head for State Representative.

Sue Corriveau
Gilead

VOTE 'NO' ON 1

of the week. The 12 year old young man had the widest smile ever, yet dad had tears in his eyes when I went in to pick them up. His comment: "I only wish my dad was still here to see Dylan harvest this bear, thank you for providing this experience!" How about Gary, last year he arrived and told me that his father had just passed away from cancer, and he was here because his dad always wanted to go on a Maine bear hunt, but couldn't. We tried as hard as possible to provide a successful hunt for him, and by the end of the week we found that we did. He did not shoot a bear, but did see one. But Gary had six days to sit quietly in the Maine woods over his bait site to think, reflect and look ahead, and for the first time, he stated that he was able to regain perspective on the direction he was now heading, without his dad. Successful hunt? I'd say so.

So how does all of this affect YOU? Our folks drive here or fly into Portland, and drive to Bethel. They stop at Mallard Mart or Big Apple for gas, the IGA for snacks and other provisions. They pop into Bethel Bait, Tackle and More for licenses, last minute hunting gear, a sweatshirt or ammo, maybe some lobs to send home. They'll also stop into Maine Line Products, Nabors, or other gift shops to bring back something for their families, fudge, T-shirts, etc. Brooks Bros. is a favorite with some of our guests, feeling like they are stepping back in time to the days of the old hardware store. Often, hunters will spend a night in town before or after their scheduled hunt at Bethel Inn, River View, The Norseman or other lodging establishments.

Frequently, a few will take in an evening at the local Brew Pub, Suds, Rooster's, etc. to experience the "local experience," or maybe a stop at Rite-Aid, Dunkin Donuts, Crossroads, and even the

Chamber of Commerce to see what else is going on in Bethel. A tour through Grafton Notch is common. That's bear hunting - it's more than sitting in a tree and shooting a bear.

Most folks buy a hunting and fishing license here and explore the area beyond their hunt. Some return with their families for a summer vacation, several have inquired about coming back to look at vacation rentals, and let's not forget about the amount of support that they send to our local butchers and taxidermists. One gentleman came back with his family, spent a week at the Bethel Inn, and I've had the pleasure to take them canoeing and also a trip to go bass fishing. During their one week stay in Bethel I'm sure they patronized many of YOUR establishments, and, they're coming back again next year.

How does this affect me? If Question 1 fails, so does my business. My family has worked hard to carve out an honest living and on Nov. 4, we'll find out whether we are in fact staying within this community, and the State of Maine, or will be forced to relocate and start over on our next venture. Sound extreme? It's not. Look around, ask around, and look beyond Bethel. There are hundreds of folks in this situation and all will be faced with undue hardship. Our community will feel the effects of this, whether immediate or not. It is much bigger than you may believe. I am supporting a family of seven, and we work together, we work long hours, and we provide one of the most unique and rewarding experiences available to folks from away.

There is a misconception that these hunting practices are cruel or senseless. To the unaware, inexperienced, and easily misled, I'm sure it's easy to misread the facts. The fact is that I, we, have so much more respect for bears and wildlife in general, and

go to great lengths to provide education and insight to what it means to take the responsibility to hunt bears. We are selective, and we are passionate about what we do.

As another example; we all love our forests. Yet, if a forest is to be healthy and productive and productive for the long haul it must be managed. Trees must be harvested, and new growth will take place, providing sustainable use for many generations. Some would say cutting trees is unsightly and senseless, yet forget about that while hiking along a beautiful trail, or while standing on the green of the golf course or watching a soccer game, on land that was once forested. Sustainable practices, such as which our bears and other wildlife are managed will provide generations of enjoyment and respectful use. It's quite simple, and it is also a fact, not fiction.

We provide for our family, we put food on our table, and we are connected to the food chain - we are an active part of it. We don't read about it, we don't fantasize about it, we just do it; and we feel thankful for the ability to provide protein for our family. We also buy from our local farmers to feed ourselves, as well as our hunters. During our hunting seasons, all of our hunters enjoy nature's bounty from the fields of Swain's Farm among others, and have a connection to our local farms as well as the forest.

On Nov. 4 remember that a Yes vote will take food off of my table, it will compromise my family's ability to survive here, and negatively impact the community, the renewable resource, and the State of Maine. This is a fact - not fiction. It's not dramatized, or misleading, it's the truth. Please vote NO on 1 and keep Mainers working, and bears seen as the great animals and renewable resource that they are.

Ron Fournier, Bethel

WELL SAID, SCOTT BERRY

To the Editor:
This letter is in response to Scott Berry's letter regarding the 2014 Bear Hunting Referendum in last week's edition of The Bethel Citizen.
Mostly, I want to say his letter was fantastic, and I applaud his candor, passion and common sense. But there was one unique point in particular that he made that struck home for me once I got my head around it, and one I had not really considered until he stated it. And it is simply this: If we as voters, via a ballot box, can overturn decisions made by the very experts we pay then what kind of wrecking ball have we given the ballot box? If one considers his point, and thinks about it on the level in which he highlighted, one could assume we could overturn judicial and juror's decisions via a ballot box. We could make decisions and reversals about many things that should be and already have been put in the hands of well-informed experts that we pay to decide these things. Perhaps we should second-guess the engineers that design and build our roadways. They know the traffic flows, they know the congestion and variables that affect the design and layout of our roads, and have been educated to do so. But perhaps we think we know better, and we should have a vote stipulating how we, as citizens, should have our roads and bridges built. Maybe we don't like where they put the traffic lights, and think it would be better if put in different locations. Perhaps we should go to the polls for everything we don't like or agree with. Wow, think about Democracy wielded in such a fashion. Havoc. Total Havoc - that is what it would wreak and that is what it would wield.

If the biologists of our state, that have earned a degree in wildlife biology and have been hired by our state for their knowledge and skills, tell us that a Yes vote on No. 1 is bad for our bears based on their ongoing and intimate research, why would we think it wise to interfere and vote Yes? Why do we think we have the right to decide the conservation of this state when we have experts that have been EDUCATED to do so? Do we really want to put the health of our wildlife population in every voter's hands, especially when many know nothing of the woods, know nothing of what really happens out there and are voting with their sympathies?

Not me. I vote with my head, not my heart. And I disagree that this keeps being an issue that Mainers think they get to decide - an issue promoted mostly by people that have never even lived in our state, and creates an issue that takes incredible resources to try to keep at bay, when we have hired biologists to regulate it for us, people that work FOR US, and the wildlife of this State.

Keep our wildlife population, its health and our outdoor legacy in the competent, knowledgeable hands of the informed and the educated. Vote for the conservation of this state by voting NO on Question 1.

Loretta Long
Bethel

SAD 44

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them step up with leadership skills." Eighth graders Payton Abbott and Morgan Prentice demonstrated for the School Board how they had created a mini hovercraft, using a bottlecap, a CD, and a balloon. They said they had experimented with several variables, making different

sized holes in the bottlecap, putting more or less air in the balloon, and trying the experiment on different surfaces.

Sixth graders Payton Hastings and Ryleigh Hastings showed how they built a catapult from wooden skewers, rubber bands, marshmallows, and a plastic spoon, and used it to launch a mini-marshmallow.

"The science involved in this is that there is PE and KE—potential energy and kinetic energy," said Payton. He explained that the marshmallow has potential energy until it is released from the catapult.

"Then, once the marshmallow is airborne, the PE is zero and the KE is 100 percent."

"It was really fun, because we got to meet a lot of new kids from different states and make new friends," said

Ryleigh.

The other students who attended the Big E with Prentice and Mosley were TMS students Gage Knapp, Ella Kellogg, and Emalee Coffin. WES fifth-grader Madisyn Bean, and Dawn Buck of Buckfield, who attended fifth grade at WES last year.

While at the Big E, Prentice said, the group also attended a horse show and sheep and cattle demonstrations. Students had the opportunity to meet and talk with 4-H members about the responsibilities and work of raising and exhibiting livestock.

They also visited exhibits focusing on the history and economics of the six New England states and attended a lesson in the one-room schoolhouse at the Expo's Storrowton Village Museum.

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- 18 year employee at Sunday River, former Human Resources Manager, currently real estate broker.
- Former Maine whitewater guide.

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Bethel, South Oxford, Albany Twp, Stow, part of Lovell, Stoneham, Greenwood, Gilead, Newry, Upton, Hanover, Andover, Byron, Lincoln Plt, Magalloway Plt, Rangeley, Coplin Plt., Dallas Plt., Eustis, Rangeley Plt., North Oxford, North Franklin

Senator John Patrick, Rumford

State Senate 18

- A 34-year mill worker at NewPage and a State Representative from 2000-08, elected to Senate 14 in 2010 & 2012.
- Fought for our mills, funding for roads and bridges, veterans' services and ethics reform.
- Known for his ability to get things done for people in his district.
- Chair of the LCRED committee for 2013-2014, on the Veterans and Legal Affairs committee, Senate chair of the State Education and Employment Outcomes Task Force.

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Rep. Matthew Peterson, Rumford

Maine House 115

- Reelected for a third term in 2012, and continues to serve on Health and Human Services Committee.
- Life-long resident of Rumford.
- Over a decade in management at a non-profit statewide agency with extensive experience in legislative advocacy on disability rights and economic development issues.
- Member of the Sportsman's Alliance of Maine.
- A small business owner who fights for the future of the River Valley in Augusta.

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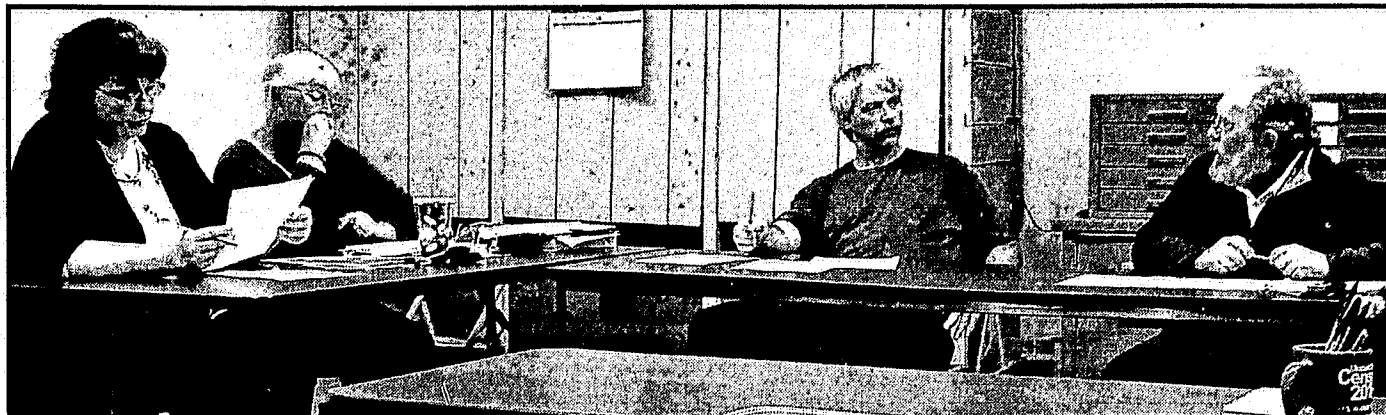
- A Norway native, Dennise and her husband Barry Allen, operate their small business, Lost Corner Land Surveying, and live in Norway.
- Worked her way up from a switchboard operator at Stephens Memorial Hospital to Vice President positions at Franklin Memorial and Brighton Medical Center.
- Masters Degree in Health Administration and Policy. 12 years advocating for the American Heart Association at the State House.

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Newry

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STALEMATE—Newry selectmen Gary Wight and Brooks Morton (right) discuss which one of them should serve on the Newry Withdrawal Committee as Chairman Wendy Hanscom (left) and Town Administrator Loretta Powers listen. A. Aloisio

consult Attorney Dan Stockford, who will advise the town committee as it crafts the plan and negotiates with the district.

Stockford replied by e-mail that Hanscom should not serve on the Withdrawal Committee. "Because she reports to the superintendent, and ultimately the School Board, of SAD 44, and the Withdrawal Committee will be negotiating a withdrawal agreement with the SAD 44 School Board, with the negotiating team for SAD 44 to be led by her boss, the superintendent, I believe this is a conflict of interest that disqualifies her from serving on the Withdrawal Committee."

Regarding simply voting on another appointee, Stockford said by law she should avoid the appearance of a conflict of interest by disclosure of her employment or by abstaining from the vote.

Stockford also addressed the situation of Wight, whose wife is employed by SAD 44. He said it creates a potential appearance of a conflict, and he should similarly disclose her employment or abstain from voting. Stockford did not say Wight should not serve on the Withdrawal Committee.

As for concern expressed by Hanscom and Wight that Morton is up for re-election in March, and if not elected would have to leave the Withdrawal Committee, Stockford confirmed Morton would have to step down.

Disclosure and debate
After Stockford's opinion was read, Hanscom and Wight both disclosed their connection to SAD 44.

Had both abstained, it

would have left no one on the three-person board to nominate Morton, and one selectman abstaining would have left the nominated selectman seconding himself. Hanscom then nominated Wight, but Morton said he would not second the motion.

Wight asked if he could second himself, and Morton said he could not. "It's just not done," said Morton.

Wight said the board would then "be back in the same place," because he would not second a nomination of Morton.

Morton said the selectmen needed to proceed.

"We are representing the people's will on a clear mission," he said. "It's not our job to make it equal. The people's will is to have a plan for withdrawal. We're not deciding anything. We're just creating something that will go before the legislative branch of our government that will be decided."

Jim Sysko, who spearheaded the withdrawal effort, agreed. "The purpose is to come up with a plan that would persuade Newry voters that the plan is better than the current educational system, and convince voters to withdraw." He asked if Wight would be comfortable doing that.

"If we can come up with something like that I'm all for it," replied Wight. But, he said, "This little [withdrawal] group seems like they've already got the [committee] picked," and he said the people who wanted to be on the committee were in the petitioning group. "It looks kind of funny to me," said Wight.

"A majority of the people

in Newry voted to cause this committee to be formed," said Sysko.

"They aren't the ones that pick this committee," said Wight.

Wight said the three appointed so far were picked because no one else came forward.

Morton argued for his own appointment.

"If we really want to avoid the appearance of a conflict of interest, then the only logical conclusion would be for one of you to nominate me and the other one second. That's the only way to get this resolved. I have one side, and that's the side of the citizens. I don't have any conflict ... I don't have any predetermined outcome. It's imperative to have a process."

Morton added that Hanscom's and Wight's discussion revealed a conflict of interest.

But resident Heather Vail told Morton, "I don't think so. I think it addresses a concern of citizens like me who voted against this. I'm not sure this is as upfront as we would like it."

Morton said nothing had been hidden, and the process

would be an open one.

"There's a lot of bias whether you want to admit it or not," replied Vail.

"The town had a bias to look into this," said Morton.

"Why should I nominate him if he won't nominate me?" asked Wight. "He's biased, I'm biased."

Morton said he was only against a potential conflict of interest, not against his fellow selectmen personally.

Serving everyone?

Hanscom said that despite the town vote in September, selectmen are elected to serve all the people, including those who voted against the process and those who did not vote. "As an elected official I vote for the whole constituency," she said.

But, said Sysko, "There was a clear vote that said, 'This is what we want to do.'"

"That's the only thing on the table," added Morton.

He asked why he should not be on the committee.

Hanscom said that in addition to her initial concern that Morton might have to leave the committee if not re-elected, "we're pretty heavily loaded with people

who have been very vocal about withdrawing from the district," noting remarks by Andrews at a meeting last spring that were very critical of SAD 44.

"Those are the people you would want on a committee," said Morton. "People who will do a thorough job. I wouldn't want anybody on there that's just going to fill up space."

Rob James then addressed Hanscom, noting Largess' presence on the panel. He said, "Sounds like you're selling her a little short, when it comes to everyone on the committee being against [SAD 44]." He also noted that Andrews had been involved in an effort to improve education in SAD 44.

Hanscom said she just wanted a committee "that can work with whatever SAD 44 comes up with for a committee" to negotiate a withdrawal agreement.

Wight then nominated Morton, and Hanscom withdrew her nomination and seconded Morton. The vote to appoint him was unanimous.

But the debate continued for a bit.

Morton said it would not be a bad thing for every member of the committee to be in favor of withdrawal.

But, said Hanscom, "We hear people saying they don't want the committee to look like that," and she said

she was seeking a balance. "You keep talking about the people who voted against [the withdrawal process]," said James.

Replied Hanscom, "You're not naive enough to think this isn't going to be divisive, are you?"

But with the town vote, said James, "You should be leaning toward what we asked you to do, which is looking into withdrawing. Not to look into it to find ways not to do it."

With the committee now complete, the panel will hold its first meeting Nov. 5 at 5 p.m. at the Town Office, to elect a chairman.

(Ed. note: At the meeting last spring that Hanscom referred to (regarding possible withdrawal, changing the local funding formula, and the quality of education in SAD 44) William Andrews called the district "dysfunctional" and expressed frustration in his attempts working on a committee to improve it. Andrews also said at that meeting he favored focusing on education, but "I don't see any way to get anyone's attention short of saying, 'Let's talk about a new way of funding.' Funding gets people's attention. I'm not saying we should withdraw, but we ought to talk about it - use whatever weapons we have." He also suggested a district-wide citizen committee to look at improving education.)

Bombers

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scored by Alexander Baribeau (2) and Mario DeVivo (2), and Myles Lilly was spectacular in net all day long. The league's annual championship trophy will now split its time at Telstar Middle School and Crescent Park School before being defended next season.

The Bethel Bombers are comprised of 5th graders Isabella DeVivo, Myles Lilly, Macie Hallett, Huntley Blair, Molly Pereira, Leah Kimball, Jake Chiasson, Hayden Smith, Celia Melanson, Mariana Colby, Harry Connors, and Hannah Pierce, and 6th graders Alexander Baribeau, Mario DeVivo, Austin Westleigh, Autumn Harrison, Maddie Hallett, Brooklyn Kimball, Orion Fournier, and Ellen Files.

The team was coached by Doug Pereira and John DeVivo. The Oxford Hills Boosters League also includes both 1st/2nd and 3rd/4th grade divisions, and is made up of nearly 350 athletes and 64 coaches on 32 teams.

Bethel, with nearly 80 active soccer players in its K-6 program, has been asked to field traveling

teams at all three grade levels next season in order to remain with the league. Registration will switch to an online activity next year, and will move up by a month into June. Parents are urged to pay close attention, as news of these changes will be sent home with students at the close of the current school year.

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Bethel

By Donald G. Bennett

Around Town
Pine Tree Glass Art - New Bethel Business Brent Bo-

done of West Sumner has opened a gallery and sales shop at the Parkway Plaza building next to the Rustics furniture store. Two types of creations caught our attention when Kathy and I visited this week - marbles and glass water pipes. Marbles are glass globes slightly smaller than a baseball that contains tiny glass gardens and gems. Water pipes are larger glass works that are fantasy visions of what their name implies.

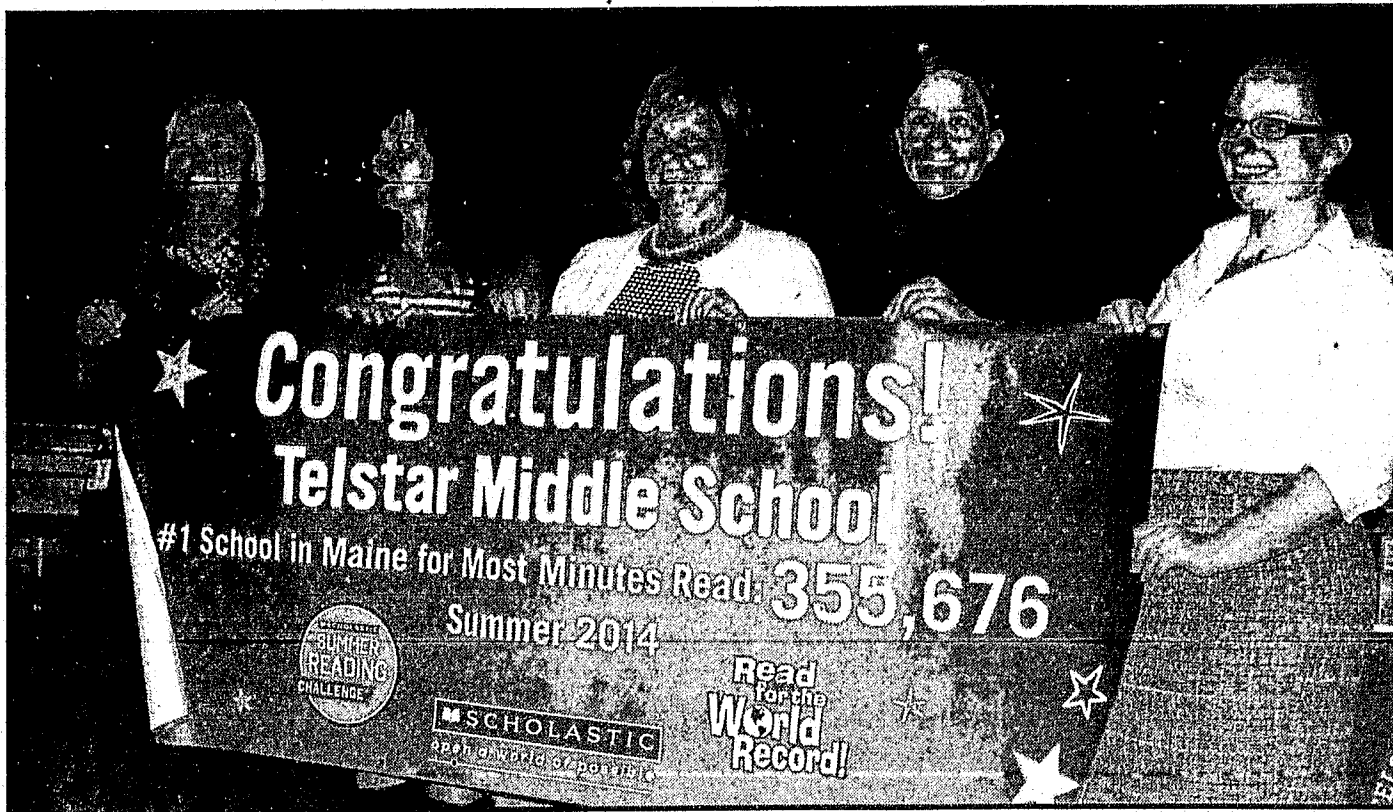
This summer Brent's wife, Jessica who owns Allium Farm, was one of the "farmers" at the Café DiCocoa's Farmers Market and also participated in this year's HarvestFest.

At week's end, Vernon Street was paved.

Planning Board's meeting agenda: Bethel Bait, Tackle & More, a site plan amendment for expanding the rear of the store; Savage Auto Repair and Towing Garage applied for their site plan to approve a garage expansion; and the Cho Sun Restaurant applied for an amendment to their in-progress addition.

Penobscot Arts and Crafts: last Thursday evening Mahoosuc Arts Council put on a program of Penobscot music, dances and basket weaving at Bingham Auditorium. Photos accompanying the announcement showed the same personalities as those who have been part of Molly Ockett Day's Penobscot programs for the last three years.

Outing Club Ski Sale at the Gould field house was a busy place during the weekend. The merchandise layout must be the largest annual sale in Bethel. Boot displays run the entire length of the basketball floor as do the racks of helmets. It reminded me of the cavalry bugle call, Boots and Saddles. I asked who does all the vendor coordination and was told that Suzanne Newsom-



TMS HONORED FOR READING-For the second year in a row, Telstar Middle School was named Top School in Maine in the global Scholastic Summer Reading Challenge. Participating TMS students logged approximately 70,000 more minutes of reading than last year, with fewer students, for a total of 355,676 minutes. Sixty-eight percent of the student population participated and 27 students read over 6,000 minutes as individuals. On Wednesday First Lady Ann LePage presented a plaque and banner to the school. Pictured are, from left: Sixth Grade ELA teacher Lori Davis, THMS Librarian Kelley Fraser, First Lady Ann LePage, Eighth Grade ELA teacher Lindsay Luetje, and Seventh Grade English teacher Autumn Gregory.

Pierce is the one.

Newry's Fall Festival at the Town Hall, former Grange Hall, showed off country crafts very well - knit ware, crocheted ware and similar goods were attractive along with special glassware. We liked the Garden Path Farm's goat's milk soap. It is different, fragrant and definitely homemade.

In the '50s when the Newry Grange Hall was on Route 2 at the Corner, Friday night dances were the thing. Wights dominated the band and across the road this time of year hard cider was available from a variety of pickup trucks. Dance intermissions saw many crossing the road to taste the local offerings.

Bethel - 35 years ago
Bennett's Upholstery

If you looked at page one of the Citizen Jan. 4, 1979, you would have seen Mark Bennett's ad for a 20 percent off New Year's Sale - reduced prices on our complete line of fabrics. There are a wide selection of over five thousand colors and styles to choose from. Mark told me that he has been in business now for 52 years. Bennett's Uphol-

stery is part of the "Mechanic Street Business District" along with Kelley Auto Parts, Bethel Bait, Tackle and More and NABOS.

Bethel Area Health Center

On Jan. 2, 1979, the Bethel Area Health Center opened its doors to the public at its location on Lower Main Street (now Philbrook Place) for emergencies and appointments after undergoing extensive renovations. Doctors William T. Whitney and Stephen Bauer will be at the Center three days a week and Kathy Tremblay, R.N., nurse practitioner, will be on duty five days a week, hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Shirley Powell is the Center's coordinator.

History Project - Who Was the Allen of Bethel's American Legion Mundt-Allen Post 81?

In January 1920 Bethel received a charter to form the George A. Mundt Post 81 American Legion. Due to the prevailing threat of influenza, the first meeting and election of officers was put off until April 14, 1920. Twenty-four attended that meeting in the Beth-

el Grange Hall on Spring Street; the following were elected officers: Dr. Raymond Tibbets, Post Commander; D. Grover Brooks, Vice Commander; Howard E. Tyler, Adjutant; Ernest F. Bisbee, Finance Officer; Elwin Wilson, Historian and Chaplain; Employment Officer, Frank Robertson; War Risk Insurance Officer, Vivian Hutchins; and Chester Cummings, Sergeant At Arms. The next immediate tasks were to 1) find a room or rooms for future meetings and 2) prepare for Memorial Day.

Today Maine has 216 American Legion posts - Rockland is Post 1 and Phippsburg is Post 216 with Bethel being 81.

George A. Mundt for whom Post 81 was named was killed in action July 19, 1918 while serving his artillery gun in an open field in France. He was born in Errol, N.H. in 1898 and graduated from Gould Academy in 1916 (his class graduated only 10 students).

According to Census records of 1910, he was the oldest child of Fred and Bertha (Spinney) Mundt. Fred Mundt was a Ger-

man immigrant and the Spinneys came from Nova Scotia. The Mundt family lived with Bertha's parents on the Flat Road in West Bethel.

He enlisted in the First Division, Seventh Field Artillery in May 1917 at Portland. He lies buried at the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery in Seringest-Nesle, France. (The poet Joyce Kilmer is also buried there.)

At the close of World War II in 1945, Stanley W. Allen's name was added to Mundt's making the post name Mundt-Allen Post 81. Ensign Allen lost his life in the Dec. 7, 1941 Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. Allen was assigned to the battleship USS Oklahoma which was bombed, torpedoed, capsized and sank carrying 429 of its crew including Allen with it.

Stanley Allen's home was on Main Street. It was owned by his father Elmer and mother Stella. The house was next to Don and Eleanor Brooks'; it burned in 1963. His father had died in 1961 willing the house to Harvey Sweetser. Allen's parents owned and operated Al-

len's Shoe Store which later became the American Legion home room until the Legion moved to Vernon Street. Allen graduated from Gould in 1934 and from Bowdoin College in 1939. He received training in naval aviation at Naval Air Bases in Squantum, Mass., Pensacola and Jacksonville, Fla., and was commissioned an Ensign in July 1941.

The Allens are buried in West Bethel's Pine Grove Cemetery, an "In Memory of" plate reads, In Memory of Ensign Stanley W. Allen U.S.N. July 17, 1916-Dec. 7, 1941 Killed at Pearl Harbor - U.S.S. Oklahoma. John Fox Allen, Stanley Allen's great-grandfather, had come to West Bethel as station agent for the Grand Trunk R.R.; he also farmed.

For more reading: <http://www.thebetheljournals.info/LegionPost81.pdf>.

Bethel

By Nancy Brown

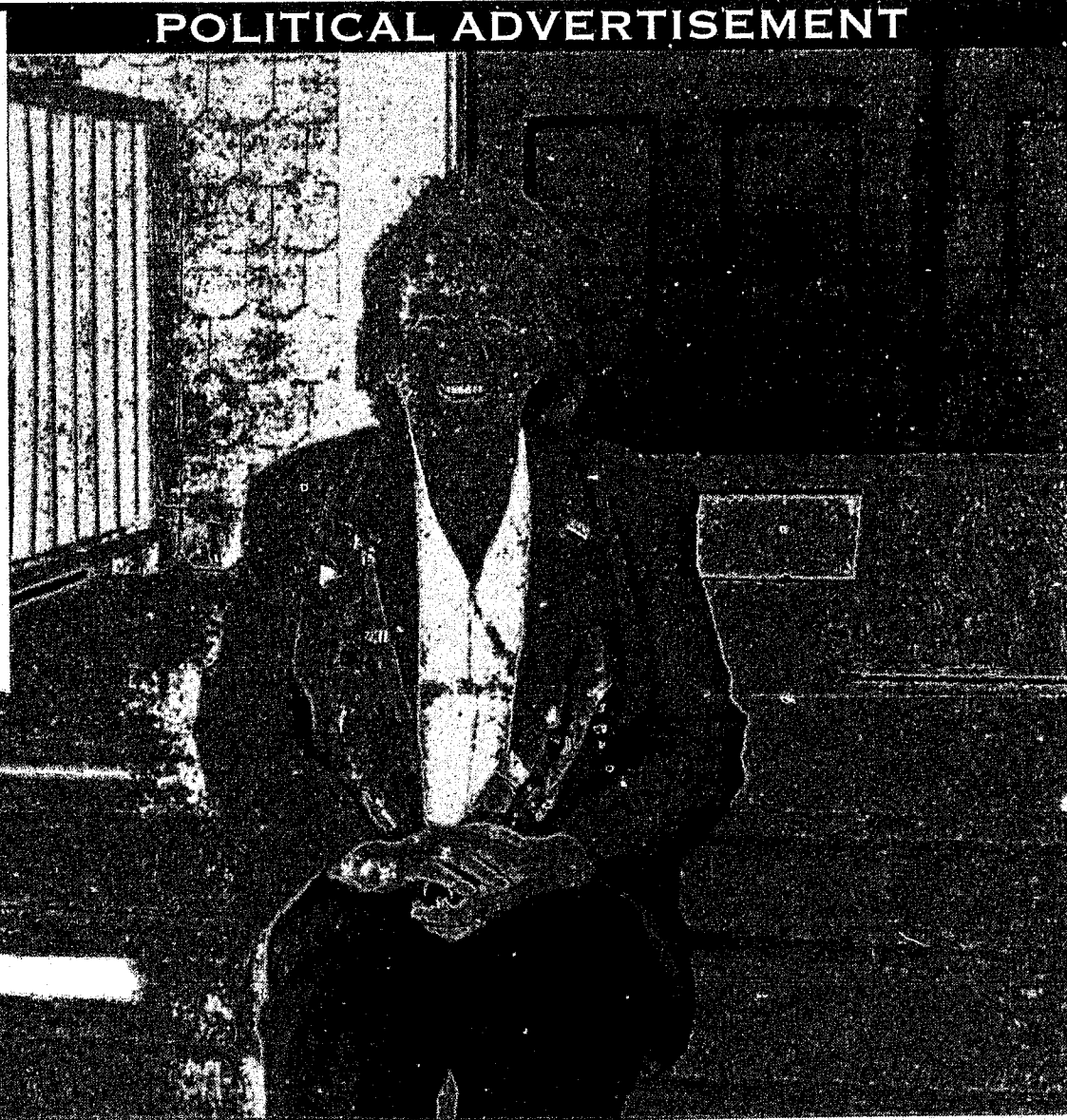


Last week I wrote about a Halloween event for children at the Norway Memorial Li-

brary where I work. I neglected to mention that the Norway library is also hosting a Halloween event for adults tonight, Oct. 30, at 6:30. The event is Dia de los Muertos Adult Craft Night. Participants will learn to make "papel picado" and colorful tissue paper flowers to celebrate the Day of the Dead. This holiday was originally celebrated in Mexico and versions of the celebration have now spread around the world. Scholars trace the Day of the Dead to indigenous celebrations, observed thousands of years ago by the Aztecs. The contemporary holiday focuses on families and friends getting together to pray for and remember family members and friends who have died. The celebrations take place on Oct. 31, Nov. 1, and Nov. 2 in connection with All Hallow's Eve, Halloween, and All Souls' Day. Traditions include gathering at cemeteries and churches to pray and honoring the dead by creating altars using

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skulls, bones, marigolds, and the favorite foods and drinks of the deceased.

Last week's rain knocked most of the leaves off the trees. Like many people, I'm tempted to leave the leaves on the ground, claiming that they will act as mulch. However, this year I learned that ticks thrive under the cover of leaves during the winter. That probably explained why my yard was filled with ticks last spring. So, I'm raking up the leaves this fall.

If you collected lupine seeds from roadside plants or your garden, this is the time to plant them. Actually, all you have to do is scatter the seeds. Last year I had success growing lupines in a new area. The plants blossomed the first year.

There is a benefit supper for Joan and James Parker at the Buckfield Masonic Lodge, 5 High Street, on Saturday, Nov. 1, at 5 p.m. The Parkers' daughter, Esther, was murdered by her husband in Turkey in April. The Parkers have gone to Turkey to try to gain custody of their young grandson. The fund-raising supper will include a 50/50 raffle and auction. All money raised will go toward the Parkers' expenses.

If you have news to share, please e-mail me at brownnancy1950@gmail.com, or call me at 824-2483.

East Bethel

By Wally Ritz



It looks like the best of the foliage is over and the cooler temperatures are slowly settling in.

Wouldn't you know it, but I already have to write a correction. Last week I wrote that 54 classmates attended the Social Hour at Bettyann's. The correct number in attendance was 24. Sorry for this mistake on my part.

So, let's see if I can do better this week.

The weekend of Oct. 18, Sonny and Bettyann Hastings went to the University of Maine to attend the Homecoming Weekend, which also served as celebration of Sonny's 80th birthday. They stayed with their son Jeff and wife Cathrine in Corinna. During half time at the football game, Jeff Hastings played with the University of Maine Alumni Band and his daughter Jennifer played with the University of Maine, Orono Marching Band. After the game and festivities they went back to Jeff's where they were joined by Julie and Jar Warwick along with Eric and Celeste Hastings. All shared a lovely birthday dinner and cake with ice cream. Belated Happy Birthday from the whole neighborhood, Sonny.

We also need to wish Paul and Kathy a belated Happy 34th Anniversary. If I read things right, the Anniversary date was Oct. 25.

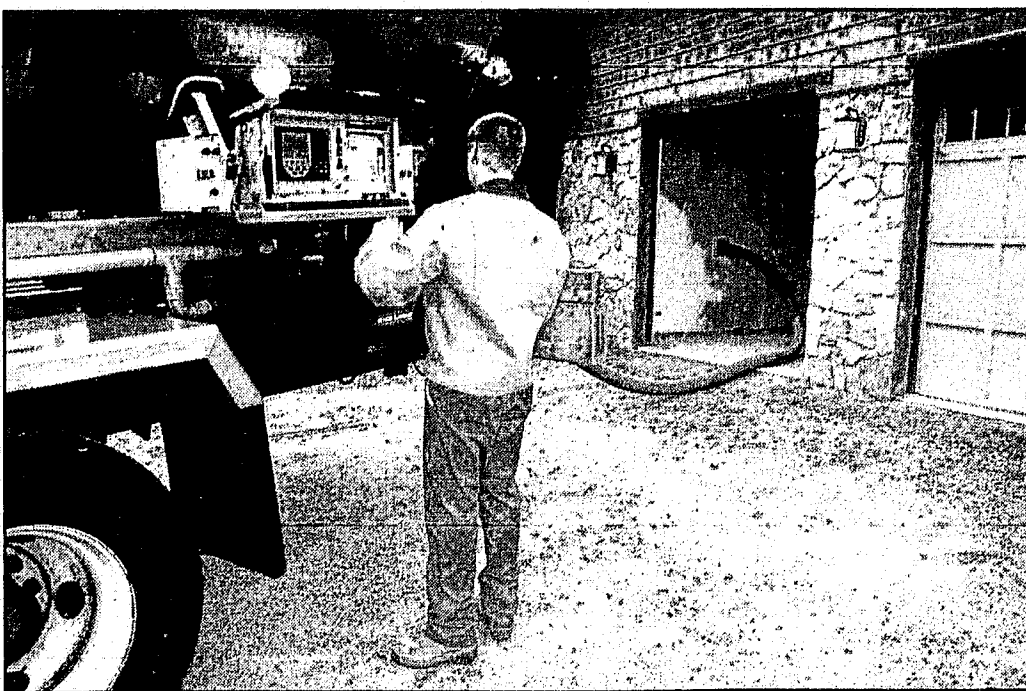
Now on to the answer to the Trivia question. In 1974 Doug Brooks and Mike Dunn scored two touchdowns each to lead Telstar High School to a 34-0 win over Monmouth Academy.

It seems that many phone numbers have changed, so do please call me at 507-1008 or e-mail me at heinrichcracker@gmail.com. In the meantime I will try and come up with another Trivia question or you can help me out.

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NATIONAL BIOENERGY DAY- National Bioenergy Day Oct. 22 marked national recognition of the increased use America's forests and fields to generate heat and power for homes, factories, business firms, and public buildings, according to a press release from the Maine Pellet Fuels Association. Shown here is Louis Hall of Maine Energy Systems in Bethel reading computer information on his truck as he makes a delivery at The Colony subdivision in Newry Oct. 22. Matt Hiebert, director of marketing for MeSys, said his company's deliveries have doubled in the past year, supplying pellets for as far away as Eastport, Burlington, Vt. and Massachusetts. They now have four trucks on the road.

in office. I think Fran Head is a good choice this time. If anyone needs a ride and I can help, let me know.

Oh, and watch out for the "trick or treaters" and have fun.

Happy Halloween!

Locke's Mills

By Betsey Foster



The Greenwood Selectmen voted to continue buying electricity through Electric

ity Maine. Town Manager Kim Sparks explained that we save money going through them instead of CMP and save even more by having a two-year contract. If you are not familiar with Electricity Maine, check them out online. I save about 20 percent through them.

Two letters of regret were written and signed

by our Selectmen recently. One went to the visiting family who received the racial slur. The other letter went to the owner of the house the family rented. Thank you to our Selectmen for doing this.

Seven tax abatements were signed and Sparks said most of these were for people who no longer own campers/trailers at Littlefield Beach.

It's getting cold, and we have quite a few children as well as adults who are in need of warm jackets. If you have clean winter jackets in good repair, please consider donating them to the Bethel Area District Exchange. Nobody needs to be cold this time of the year.

It's Halloween this Friday. While trick-or-treating is on the wane around here, there is a chance for adults to rouse their spirits and have a good time this Friday evening. The

Shadagee Ramblers are playing for dancing and listening at the Locke's Mills Town Hall, Oct. 31, from 7 to 10 p.m. Rumor has it that some folks are going in costumes. Tickets are \$7, and there will

be a 50/50 raffle and area door prizes. All are welcome from grandparents to grandchildren. Proceeds go to the town hall repair fund.

The Greenwood Bicentennial Committee meets tonight (Thursday), 7 p.m., at the town office. All are welcome.

Saturday there is a hunter's supper at the Legion Hall on the Gore Road. There will be baked beans and hot dogs, chop suey, and all the fixings. It is 4 to 6:30 p.m. and \$7 for adults, \$3 for children.

Get out your orange vests and hats. Deer hunting season begins Saturday, Nov. 1, for Maine residents. It is open for all license holders Monday, Nov. 3. The season ends Nov. 29 for rifle hunting. Maine youth deer day was Oct. 25. Remember the orange for the four-footed creatures as well.

The tamaracks are in full foliage right now. They are the only conifers here that shed their needles in the fall. The needles turn a bright gold before they drop. The cones, on the other hand, stay on the tree through the winter. Tamaracks are also known as

hackmatack and larch. Why call it a larch when the other two names are so much more fun to roll around in your mouth? Tamarack is the Algonquian name for this tree and means "wood used for snowshoes."

Snow, you say? There is a stir among the weather forecasters that snow might appear this weekend. Makes for something to talk about whether it happens or not.

Meteorologists, the scientists as opposed to the folks in the media, at the National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration are speculating that New England may have above-average temperatures this winter. They also say there will be above-average precipitation. However, they did not say what type of precipitation it will be... I'm keeping the "s" word upmost in my mind. Just so there's no confusion on that word - snow.

Please get out and vote either in person Nov. 4 or by absentee ballot before then. Voting the day of the election will be at the Legion Hall on the Gore Road from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

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Wayne Gallant, Rumford

Sheriff

- Elected in 2006 and re-elected in 2010, now seeking a third term, following 8 years of accomplishment collaborating with other agencies to combat family violence, property crimes, and drug abuse, plus successful grant-writing for equipment upgrades, as well as operational improvements.
- He successfully negotiated a contract with Bethel for police services that received acclaim as a model.
- Rumford native, served in the police department there, and as chief in Wilton.

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Patricia Shearman, Norway

Register of Deeds, Eastern Division

- Elected in 2010 and unopposed for reelection in 2014.
- Strong history of management experience with publicly-funded programs and her own small business experience, resulted in improvements and cost savings to the function of the office.
- Ancestral roots in Oxford County since 1788 and a MA in American and New England Studies from USM, Provides reliable public access to the vital records of property transfers in Oxford County eastern district.

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Andrew Robinson, Farmington

District Attorney

- Currently the Deputy District Attorney, Andy has served as a prosecutor for over fifteen years, prosecuting thousands of cases in Oxford, Franklin and Androscoggin Counties (Prosecutorial District III).
- Serves on several state committees, including the Attorney General's Commission on Elder Abuse.
- A graduate of University of Maine before achieving his Juris Doctor at the University of Maine School of Law in 1997.
- Andy and Yvette have been married for 23 years and have 3 children.

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Gilead

By Lin Chapman



Halloween is on a Friday night! Keep safe and watch out for those Trick or Treaters,

especially if the weather is as rainy and dismal as it has been lately. My brother, Steve McLain, was at the house last weekend. He mentioned that Stephen had called recently. All seems well with Stephen and the family.

Gilead Historical Society Mary Tyler met with a distant relative this past weekend. After visiting the Lary South Cemetery, they decided to stop by the buildings at the GHS. After touring both buildings and checking out what the GHS has been doing, Milt and Valerie Tucker decided to join the GHS. Valerie is a descendant of the Lary family.

While we were there and the buildings were open, we had other people stop by. There are still a lot of people taking pictures of the buildings.

Hugh and I talked with a couple of GHS members last weekend. Bob and Judy Bishop were busy getting ready to head out for a few days. Belated Happy Birthday wishes to Judy!

Town Office

As the Town Clerk, I have been busy getting ready for the November 4th Election. Polling hours for Gilead are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Town Hall. As of this past Sunday, there were six absentee ballots that have been issued. Oct. 30 is the last day that an absentee ballot can be issued without special circumstances.

Part of getting ready for

the election is testing the Accessible Voting System (AVS). This is the fax machine that is available to any voter.

The town received the new voting machine on Tuesday, Oct. 21. On Thursday, Oct. 24, representatives from the Bureau of Elections arrived at the Town Office to do training on the new machine. Last Sunday, I spent several hours reviewing the training on the machine and testing ballots. Everything went well with the testing. The machine should be ready to go on Election Day.

Voting will work about the same as always. The voter will pick up the ballot and then proceed to the voting booth. Instead of dropping the ballot into the old ballot box, the voter will feed their ballot into the new machine which will scan the ballot and count the votes. Election workers will be available to offer assistance to anyone who needs it.

After working with the machine, it was time to set up the town hall to get that ready. There is a lot of work that goes into making sure Election Day runs smoothly. There is lots of paperwork before and then lots of paperwork afterwards with all the reports.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com.

Waterford

By Rockie Graham



As we get ready to say goodbye to October and Daylight Savings Time and Hello to Halloween and maybe even our first snow fall, the days are finally filled with sun and warmth, even if the



AMANN'S RECOGNIZED—John and Amy Amann of 22 Broad Street restaurant in Bethel were awarded the Business Friend of Education award last week by the Maine School Management Association. According to John's calculations, he and Amy have helped to raise nearly \$40,000 for various school projects and fundraisers over the past years. Most recently, they raised over \$10,000 to help support the combined Bethel Recreation/SAD 44 project to replace the backboards and pads in the Telstar gym. Laine Cross, shown here with them at right, made the nomination for the award. *Submitted photo*

mornings are a bit chilly.

The beginning of the month, we lost a beloved poet, Henry Braun of Weld. Henry was a beloved teacher, poet and community activist. Henry and his wife Joan helped me in 1992 when I ran for office. He will definitely be missed.

I don't know about anyone else, but we are all sick of all the political ads. All candidates are guilty of slamming others; they should all be ashamed. Whatever happened to honesty and not having out of state money trying to take over all our campaigns. I can't wait for it all to be over.

Thursday, Oct. 30 at Norway Memorial library there will be an adult craft night from 6:30 on. There will be time and materials to make colorful paper decorations for the Mexi-

can holiday of Dia de los muertos - Day of the Dead. There will also be time to make colorful tissue paper flowers. Participants are asked to bring their own scissors. FMI please call 743-5309 ext. 1.

Starting Friday, Oct. 31, Waterford Library 9 a.m. to noon, there will be a coffee shop. Everyone is welcome to come for coffee, tea and pastries and to visit with friends and meet new ones. The idea is to foster community. FMI call the library art 583-2050.

Monday, Nov. 3, Socrates Café will meet. The topic is: How should political campaigns be financed? The moderator is Therese Johnson. Refreshments will be served. 583-6957.

Tuesday, Nov. 4 is Election Day. Do not forget to vote. Poles are open 8 to 8. Next Thursday, Nov. 9,

Norway Library 6:30 p.m. there is an adult discussion group, discussing Frankenstein by Mary Shelley. FMI please call 743-5309.

There will be a bridge group at Waterford Library at 6:30 p.m. every fourth Monday. Come with or without a partner. FMI call 583-2050.

That is all for this week. Stay warm and enjoy the trick or treaters.

Hanover

By Maria Holloway



Wendell Isaac "Happy" Easter, a dear friend of many in Hanover, passed away last Wednesday, Oct. 22, 2014 in Norway. He was 88 years old. A kind, gentle man, Mr. Easter will be missed by many. Hanover extends its sincere condolences to the family.

Born in Dixfield, Mr. Easter lived in the Rumford/Dixfield area. At the age of 18, he was drafted into the U.S. Army where he worked as a field artillery operator during the Battle of the Bulge. After serving for two years he returned home and married Winona Harris, who predeceased him in 1997. They had five children (Sharon, Sandra, Clayton, Doug and Kendall). He had many grandchildren, great-grandchildren and even great-great-grandchildren.

Wendell worked at the Rumford Mill, was a member of the Grange and VFW, and was also a volunteer fireman. He enjoyed working with his tractor and plowed many Hanover gardens. Last winter, the Library Busy Bees worked diligently to hand-piece a patriotic red, white and blue quilt to present to Mr. Easter at the Maine Veter-

ans' Home in South Paris. He graciously accepted the gift and spent time with the Bees that day telling stories about his time served in the war. It was an inspiring, memorable and heart-warming visit.

Services for Mr. Easter were held last Saturday at the Rumford Point Congregational Church. Donations may be made in Mr. Easter's memory to the Grange c/o Methyl Park, 32 Skillings Corner Rd, Auburn, Maine 04210.

As we go to press, Town Meeting is being held at the Town House. Results of the meeting will follow in next week's column. Don't forget to go to the polls and cast your vote on Tuesday, Nov. 4 at the Town Office.

Time is running out to stock up on winter veggies. There are a few farms still open for business and some will be setting up self-serve for the remainder of the season. There is still a great variety of squash available at the Swain Farm on Route 2 in West Bethel. The Local Hub in Greenwood will be holding a local farmers' market through December every Wednesday from 3 to 6 p.m. There you will find fresh, great-tasting local produce as well as the Local Hub's homemade breads and baked goods.

Congratulations to Linda Howe of Bethel who grew the potatoes for the Award-Winning Chowder made by the Black Diamond Steakhouse at the recent Chowder Cook-Off in Bethel! Way to go, Linda!

Happy Halloween to all! Have fun!

Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour before you go to bed this Saturday night.

Got news, comments questions? E-mail HanoverMe-News@gmail.com.



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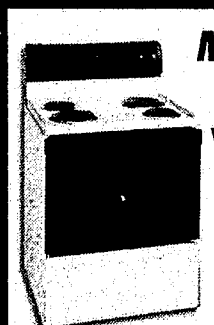
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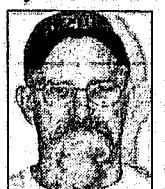
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Upton

By Joe Bernier



The Ladies Aid Association has scheduled a Hunter's Breakfast and a Hunter's Dinner for Saturday, Nov. 8. Both meals will be served at the Ladies Aid building.

The Upton Selectmen will meet Tuesday, Nov. 11 at the Town Office.

As the various hunting seasons come and go, more and more ATV signs disappear from the roads and trails. Coincidence?

My daughter and I went up the Cog Railway Sunday. It was the first time for each of us. The weather did not cooperate, cold, snow and wind, and the train did not go all the way to the top. In spite of the unfavorable conditions, we very much enjoyed the trip. We discussed taking the train again, perhaps next summer, when the weather is more cooperative.

Snow is predicted for this coming weekend! Are you ready?

Please call 533-2010 or e-mail backstjoe@gmail.com with your news.

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By Doug Webster

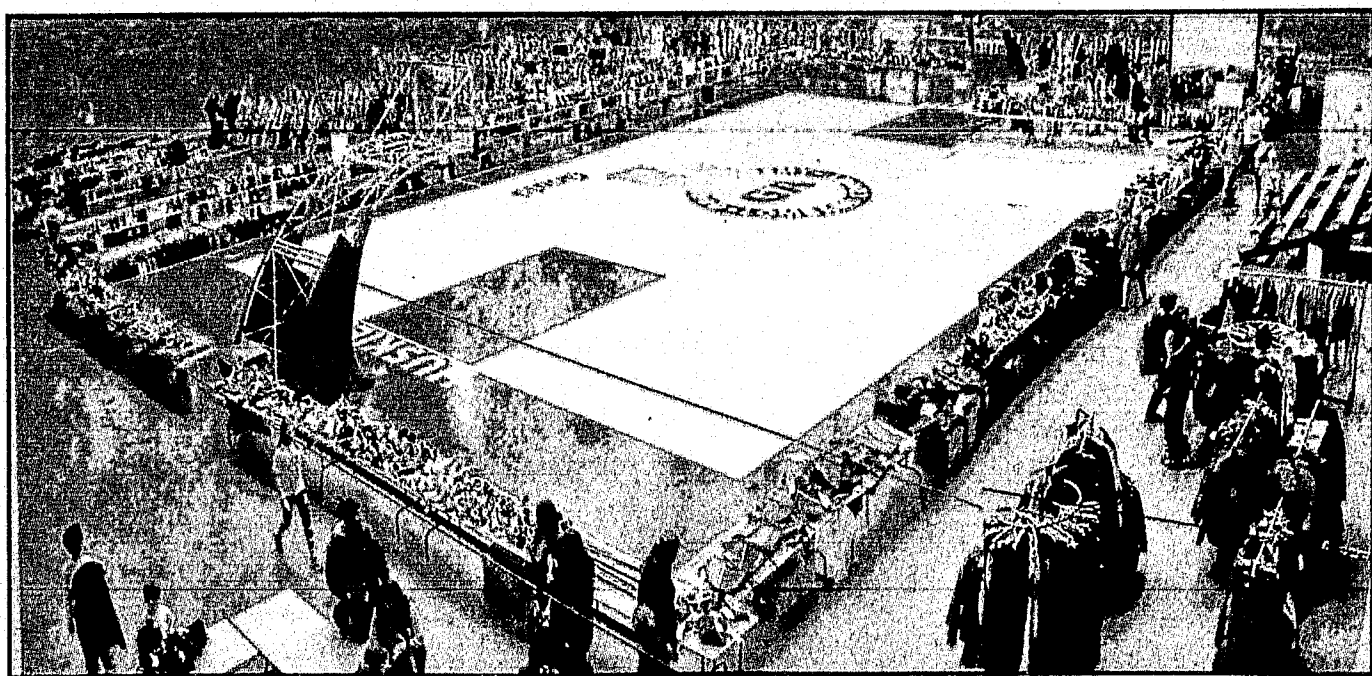


Good news for local area kids: Heather Vail will be offering free tutoring sessions starting this month. The Newry Town Office has agreed to let her use the office space as long as it is available. She is up for taking all grades and multiple curricula. Just tell her what your needs are, and she will let you know if she can help. People will have to provide their own transportation, and she has specified that it is not a babysitting service. So if you are interested in taking advantage of this most generous offer, call Heather at 824-4120.

The Select Board almost picked all four members for the town's withdrawal committee. They got hung up on the Select Board's pick. Allison covered it in detail in last week's paper, so no need for me to go through it again. Hopefully it will be resolved by the time you are reading this. I will say that the Select Board members should have a basic concept of the laws pertaining to conflict of interest. Holding the public's trust should be paramount in any public servant's agenda. People need to feel confident that they can trust their elected officials. And when you nominate a citizen to a committee, don't assume you know what that person thinks or how he will vote. We all know what happens when we assume!

A few residents showed up to address the condition of the Sunday River Road from the Monkey Brook intersection and beyond. The residents complained that the road was like a road in a third world country and patching the potholes a wheelbarrow at a time wasn't going to cut it. They said with all the weddings and tourists that the area is inviting to come and enjoy, we owe it to them and especially the local residents, to have a safe road to travel on. Jim Sysko said that he did a study ten years ago and addressed a lot of the same problems that still exist today. Brooks Morton said that he and Newry's CEO, Dave Bonney, had also been doing research and studying what needs to be done on that section. Administrator Retta Powers said that the section of road in question was slated to be on the agenda in 2015. There should be something on the warrant at this year's town meeting for the citizens to vote on. Peter Kenney said that the town should consider taking out a bond if it needs to and fix the road right. Select Board member Wendy Hanscom said the town usually spends about \$200,000 a year on roads and bridges.

Brooks Morton suggested that the town send a letter to the Town of Bethel and inquire about Mahoosuc Pathways plans for the Bingham Land. He said on



SKI SALE, FROM ABOVE—The Bethel Outing Club ski and winter sports sale in the Gould Academy field house. See Bethel Bennett column for more.

D. Bennett.

the Pathway's website it seems they have pretty big plans for that parcel. He didn't think they had been to the Planning Board yet, and thought they should get an update. I, personally, would like to see the parcel left in its natural state as a wildlife sanctuary the way Mr. Bingham had left in his will. Is it necessary to have bike and walking paths up on the side of a mountain? Maybe from being a hunter, I find it much more enjoyable and engaging to walk through the woods in its natural state. It would be a great legacy for generations to come if Bethel could have the wisdom to keep this beautiful parcel in its natural state.

The Board decided to replace the furnace at the Grange Hall. Community Energy came in with a bid for \$10,365 and should have it operational by winter.

Dave Bonney has an estimate to install granite posts with chain in between to put up at all the town cemeteries. The price was \$45,000. The cemetery committee will have a meeting to discuss the issue some more.

The possibility of getting sand/salt sheds for the town residents has been dropped. It was deemed too expensive with not enough citizen concerns. Too bad—I think it would be a nice courtesy for the taxpayers. Maybe if Newry continues to pay the bulk of the school budget, Bethel will let us use their sand sheds. (Just a thought.)

All town employees and board members have a workshop on Nov. 19 at 6 p.m. at the Grange Hall. It is a required workshop and will be going over the town's policies involving freedom of access. Pizza and fixings will be provided.

The next Select Board meeting will be Nov. 3 at 5 p.m.

As always, be sure to share your news with me, especially if you do not like mine. dwebster@megalink.net.

Bryant Pond

By Alice Hoyt



Sympathy is extended to the family of Charles (Chuckie) Johnson.

Franklin Grange 124 met on Monday, Oct. 20 at the Grange Hall for an open meeting. After opening the meeting, the program was presented by Ruby Bryant.

Opening thought: Facts about the number 13.2; Short readings on retirement; Song: America the Beautiful; Music by Laura Hutchins and Richard Felt. On Nov. 1, the Grange will hold a Mock Hee-Haw Show at the Hall in benefit of the Grange Building Fund. Come enjoy the music and fun-filled evenings. This features many of your all-time favorites. Refreshments on sale, door prizes, etc. Donation: \$6 for adults, \$3 for children under 12. Nov. 3 will be an open meeting and the public is invited to attend. Peter Hammond is presenting the program.

The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens will meet for their November meeting on Nov. 6 at the Locke's Mills Church with the Ladies Circle putting on the dinner. Joyce Howe will present the program. Meeting starts at 11:30. New members always welcome. Dues: \$2. Dinner: \$7.

The Whitman Memorial Library program for October and November will be held today (Thursday, Oct. 30) at 2 p.m. Pat Stewart will speak on the Safe Passage project in Guatemala. She will bring craftwork and jewelry made by the mothers in the adult literacy program. Public is invited, no charge, with light refreshments.

The Woodstock Historical Society is now selling 2015 calendars with pictures of the town's 1915 Centennial on it.

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday School at 9:15, Morning Worship at 10:30, Evening Service at 6 p.m. Wednesday evening at 6:30 is Mid-Week

Service, Bloom for girls 13 to 18 and Foundations for guys 15 years and up. Nov. 1 there will be a FREE breakfast for hunters. All hunters welcome at the Church Fellowship Hall from 4:30 to 6:30. Nov. 2 is Fellowship Sunday with dinner and afternoon service. No evening service this week. Due to scheduling errors, Bob Holmes will not be here that day. Nov. 9, the Church will honor our veterans at the morning service. All veterans are invited to attend. Remember Tuesday, Nov. 4, be sure to get out and vote.

Andover

By Jane C. Rich



Youth Hunting Day on Saturday found two local boys having success in their hunt for the elusive deer. Both Carter Thibodeau and Tyler Freeman were successful.

The annual Andover Elementary School Parade of Horribles will take place tomorrow, Halloween, at 1 p.m. when the children will try to scare or amaze local residents with their costumes.

People are being urged to get their flu shots and to help make it easier there is a flu shot clinic on Monday Nov. 3 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Town Hall. For more information you can contact Karen Swan at 392-4031. There is no cost for Maincare/Medicare people; others will be charged \$25.

The Snow Valley Snow-Gers Landowners Appreciation Supper was a success with both landowners and the general public enjoying a delicious meal prepared by the club and served at the CEB. The club's next meeting will take place on Nov. 5 at 6 p.m. at the club-

OCSD Patrol Log

Tuesday, Oct. 21

At 12:22 p.m. Sgt. Tim Holland responded to Railroad Street in Bethel for a report of two young subjects shoplifting in a business.

Thursday, Oct. 23

At 10:55 a.m. a Bethel resident reported a scam call. Deputy Dave Hodgson was assigned.

Friday, Oct. 24

At 8:54 a.m. a caller reported the theft of skidder chains from Cemetery Road in Albany. Sgt. Tim Holland was assigned.

At 9:52 a.m. Deputy Andy Whitney responded to the West Bethel Road in Bethel for a chimney fire. He assisted the Fire Department.

At 12:16 p.m. Deputy Andy Whitney responded to Telstar High School to consult with administration about how to deal with a fight that had recently occurred.

At 5:12 p.m. Deputy Chris McAllister received a report of a verbal domestic incident that had occurred two days earlier in Bethel.

Sunday, Oct. 26

At 10:58 a.m. Deputy Andy Whitney took a report of criminal mischief on Walkers Mills Road in Bethel. The incident was under investigation.

Monday, Oct. 27

At 9:10 a.m. Deputy Andy Whitney took a report of theft from a Mayville business. The business recovered the items and requested the suspect be served only with a trespassing notice. The deputy did so.

At 1:32 p.m. Deputy Andy Whitney attempted to serve two criminal summonses and arrest a person in Bethel for the Mexico Police Department. No contact was made.

OCSD Jail Log

Oct. 24, 7:35 p.m.: Mandy M. Clark, 28, of Greenwood, failure to pay fines; by Trooper Ron Turnick in Greenwood.

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Pumpkin Run raises \$4,000



AGNES GRAY SCHOOL PUMPKIN RUN-This year's Pumpkin Run raised over \$4,000 for the Agnes Gray School's PTO in West Paris. The fourth graders have already gone on an overnight trip to Bryant Pond 4-H camp with funds from the event. Shown here is the start of the 5K race. Submitted photo

The second annual Pumpkin Run was a success! Over 230 entrants participated in the 5K run, mile-walk and kids fun run. For completing the run, each child was able to take home a beautiful pumpkin donated from the Swain Family Farm in Bethel. For the 5K and mile-walk participants, Wendy Newmeyer, from Maine Balsam Fir Products, created a hand-made balsam pillow as an award for completing the event. These were one-of-a-kind pillows made specially for the 2014 Pumpkin Run! The top three female finishers were Isabel Chase from

Bethel (time 22:31), Leanne Candura (time 22:58) and Morgan Letourneau from Norway (time 23:54). The top three male finishers were Nate McNutt from West Paris (time 18:04), Jacob West from Otisfield (time 18:35) and Buster Brown (time 20:02). All top finishers received a "West Paris Pumpkin Run" balsam pillow from Maine Balsam Fir Products. After the race, participants were treated to a wonderful lunch at the Pumpkin Run's chili and pumpkin pie cook-off! After the judging was complete, Chad Stearns from West Paris was cho-

sen to have made the best chili. However, Colton Kimball, also from West Paris, was selected as a close runner up! Lissa Merrill, from West Paris, made the pumpkin pie that took home the award for top dessert! Thank you to all of our sponsors who supported our goal of combining a healthy, community building event with fundraising for our school. Over 55 children participated in the mile-long fun run. The kids ran their hearts out and came across the finish line with pink cheeks and big smiles. They were wel-

comed by a cheering crowd of proud parents, grandparents, teachers, friends and neighbors.

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At the Newry Fall Festival Saturday, Garden Path Farm had tempting goatsmilk soap in various flavors. See Bethel Bennett column for more. D. Bennett

Nov. 6 WMSC program on Alzheimer's

"The Basics of Alzheimer's Disease including Memory Loss, Dementia and Alzheimer's Disease" will be presented by William J. Kirkpatrick, LICSW, program director for the Alzheimer's Association, Maine Chapter, on Thursday, Nov. 6, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Bethel Congregational Church. The program is sponsored by To Your Health of Western Mountains Senior College and is a follow-up to the "Ten Signs of Alzheimer's" program held last month to a capacity audience.

Kirkpatrick said, "There continues to be fear and stigma related to a diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease and this keeps people from getting the help and support they need."

In his talk, he will cover the symptoms and effects of Alzheimer's disease and

other related dementias; how Alzheimer's affects the brain; causes and risk factors; how to find out if it's Alzheimer's disease; and the benefits of early detection. He will also discuss how to address a diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease; the stages of the disease; treatment; hope for the future, and ways the Alzheimer's Association can help. He will be available to answer questions and will have quantities of handouts.

Kirkpatrick received his Master of Social Work Degree from Boston College in 1978 and a Certificate in Bioethics and Health Policy from the Nelswanger Institute of Bioethics at Loyola University in 2010. He has over thirty years' experience in the health and mental health field with particular strengths, accomplishments and

demonstrated expertise in medical social work, end-of-life care, bioethics and education. He has also been involved in the training of students at the graduate level of social work and with first and second year medical students at the Alpert Medical School at Brown University. He joined the Alzheimer's Association, Maine Chapter, as program director in December 2011 and lives in Brunswick.

The program is presented by To Your Health of WMSC with the collaboration of Bethel Family Health Center, MSAD 44/Continuing Education, and the Alzheimer's Association, Maine Chapter. The program is open to the public and admission is free. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, call Rosabelle Tiff at 824-2053.

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house off Route 5. Work is ongoing to repair trails, bridges and signs on the 40 miles of snowmobile trails for which the club is responsible. Anyone interested in snowmobiling is invited to club meetings and welcome to join the organization. Meanwhile everyone is waiting for the first adequate snowfall to test out the trails.

The next meeting of the Andover Historical Society will take place on Wednesday, Nov. 5 at 9:30 a.m. at Mills Market.

Town Office news includes the following: The last day to obtain an absentee ballot for the Nov. 4 election is today, Oct. 30.

Polling hours will be 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Town Hall. Some inquiries have been made about dog licenses and the rabies clinic. 2015 dog tags are in. Registration fee is \$6 for a neutered or spayed animal and \$11 otherwise. The rabies clinic will be held in January. The Town website is up with the address of TownofAndoverMaine.org.

The next Good Shepherd Food delivery will happen on Monday, Nov. 17 at 8:30 a.m. at the CEB. Helpers are always needed to unload goods and stack shelves. Thanksgiving baskets will be available on Nov. 18.

Christmas in Snow Valley

will include a craft fair in the Town Hall from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Those interested in securing tables should contact Paul Lee at 392-1211. If you prefer the fire station site the contact person is Elaine Morton at 392-1140. The First Congregational Church contact person is Marsha Burns at 392-1894. Mark your calendars for Dec. 6 and come celebrate Santa and all things holiday in the Town of Andover.

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On November 4th, please vote YES on Question 2 to serve our farms, wildlife, health and safety.

Thank you for your consideration.

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RUNNING TO A WIN-The Telstar High School Football Team concluded its season Saturday with a 33-6 exhibition win over Sacopec Valley. Here, Chris Chappie runs with the ball. Behind him to the right is Fabian Corriveau, and to the left, John Brooks. Telstar was invited to the Class D West playoffs as the result of a forfeit victory at Traip, but decided to forgo Saturday's scheduled regional quarterfinal game at top-seeded Lisbon. The decision was made after discussion among coaches, players, parents, Principal Ann Bell and Athletic Director Gail Wight. They cited lack of player numbers and the safety of the athletes. The forfeit win against Traip was the Rebels' only one of the regular season. *A. Aloisio*

Universalist worship services

We may be moving into a more bleak time of year, but it's warm and inviting at the First Universalist Church of West Paris where you can experience uplifting worship services on a variety of topics; services are presented with a combination of guest speakers, worship service committee members and The Reverend Fayre Stephenson (at least twice each month). Church services begin at 9 a.m., followed with refreshments.

Nov. 2, "To Err is Human, to Forgive, Divine" led by The Reverend Fayre Stephenson. We all make mistakes that may be hurtful. Whether we are the one who erred or it is someone else, what we do after the mistake is what is important. Do we hold a grudge or can we conger up some forgiveness for the one who stumbled? Reverend Stephenson leads our services at least twice a month.

Nov. 9, "Unrequited Forgiveness: The Higher Calling" We are told of, and have probably experienced, the healing that happens when two people resolve difficulties and mutually forgive past transgressions. But what happens when the forgiveness is a one-way street? We will look at the more difficult task of unrequited forgiveness, and its necessity

in moving forward. The service is led by The Reverend Nancee Campbell, a fifth generation Unitarian Universalist who grew up among the potato fields of Aroostook County. She worked for the state of Maine prior to attending Starr King School for the Ministry in Berkeley, Calif. Since retiring from parish ministry, she worked as a hospital chaplain in Augusta and as an advocate for elderly and disabled citizens in central Maine. She visits with some of our members every summer when she serves as Minister of the Week at Ferry Beach, where she has attended since she was a child.

Nov. 16, "Let your Life Speak" is based loosely on the book, with same title, by Parker Palmer. The service is led by The Reverend Sarah Shepley who is a full time artist/teacher as well as an ordained interfaith minister and chaplain, specializing in bereavement care. In April 2013, she was hired to be on the faculty at the Chaplaincy Institute of Maine where she continues to work full time. Last January, Sarah traveled to the Dominican Republic with Partners for Rural health serving as a chaplain for the USM students as well as the people of Lajas. This experience

opened a new door bringing together her love of travel to Latin American countries and being of service. She and her daughter plan to travel to Guatemala this December for two weeks to attend a Spanish immersion school and volunteer in the community of Xela.

Nov. 23, "A Communion of Thanksgiving" has become a tradition where we celebrate a cornbread communion as we reflect on the first Thanksgiving, gratitude and forgiveness. The service is led by The Reverend Fayre Stephenson.

Nov. 30, is Part 2 of Rick Churchill's sermon on "Spirituality - Tree Spirits?" Rick is a longtime educator and naturalist on a lifelong journey to understand why we are drawn to trees. Is it their beauty, their strength or is there more? Rick's message may help us all understand what it is that draws most cultures, religions and individuals to hold reverence for trees.

For more information about the church and services, please contact Marta Clements, 674-2143, mcclements96894@roadrunner.com. You can also visit <http://www.uua.org/> to learn more about Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations.

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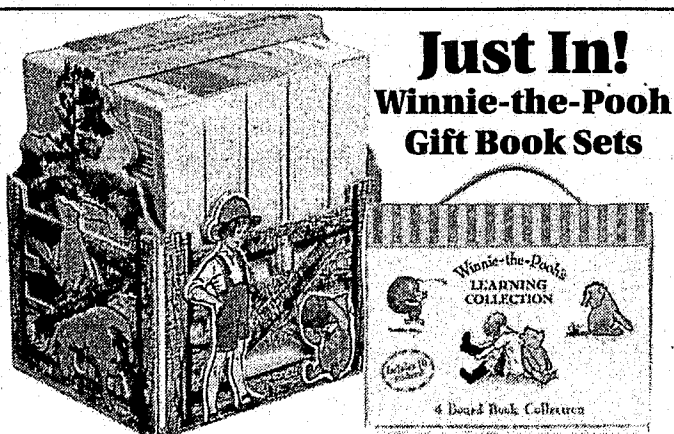
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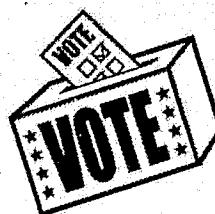
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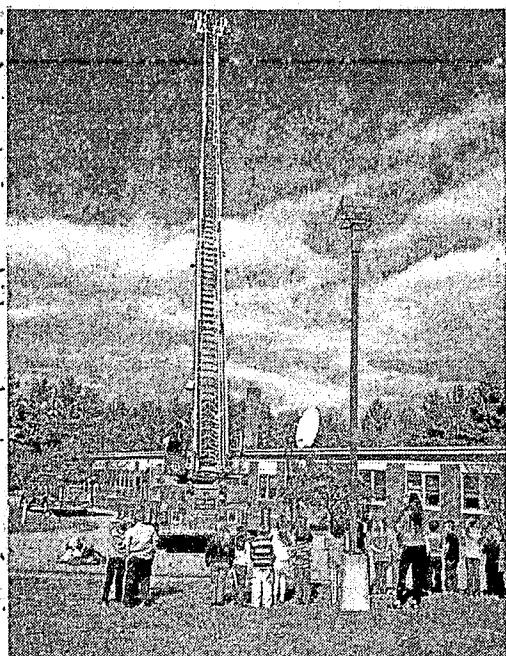
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CRESCENT PARK ELEMENTARY



First graders at Crescent Park recently welcomed firefighters Jeff Angevine and DJ Deprey to our classrooms. Jeff dressed up in full gear so that the kids would learn not to be afraid of firefighters if they should ever appear at their house in full gear. The men then took the group outside to check out the fire engine and ladder truck.



CPS first graders recently enjoyed a field trip to Harvest Hill Farms (Pumpkinland) in conjunction with their studies on the life cycle. After they had lunch, they went on a hayride to the pumpkin patch, enjoyed the petting zoo, and zoomed down the "Frankenslide", along with a variety of other kid-friendly activities.



The local fire department members did a great job teaching fire safety in grade three at CPS. Bethel fire fighter Jim Bennett and third grader Morgan Zetts are pictured at left.



Grandparents' Day at CPS – Olivia Malley with her grandmothers and Peter Kuzyk



In Mrs. Lee's second grade classroom we hosted Flat Stanley from Santa Cruz, CA. We loved sharing stories with our second grade friends about life in Bethel, ME.

ANDOVER ELEMENTARY



Fourth and fifth graders at the Andover Elementary School recently hiked to the top of White Cap.



Andover Elementary Kindergarten and 1st Grade students learn fire safety from Andover Firefighters during Fire Safety Week!



On Oct. 6, the Andover Elementary School Student Council members participated in the worldwide "Stomp out Bullying Day". All AES students signed an anti-bullying contract and promised to "Stomp out Bullying". Pictured here are: Madison Irish, Codi Duclos, Ryleigh Richard, Maecy Dixon, Emma Clukey, Isabell Casey, and Michael Farrington.

TELSTAR NEWS



The Telstar Middle School faculty is proud to announce the September Super Heroes: 8th grader, Lilo Bean; 7th grader Olguine Lane; and 6th grader Wyatt Theilbar.

What is a Super Star? Each month the faculty selects students (one per grade level) whom we feel consistently represents our school's values of respect, acceptance, and perseverance and who serve as role models to their peers. In addition to Super Stars, we are proud to recognize a variety of students at our monthly Stars assemblies for acts of kindness, hard work, improvement, and accomplishment. All parents and community members are invited to join us for these assemblies. Please check our website for dates and times.

WOODSTOCK ELEMENTARY



The Woodstock and Greenwood Fire Departments welcome new second grade teacher, Sara Johnson, during Fire Prevention Week at Woodstock Elementary School.

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Nonprofits explore strategies for a successful community

BY AMY CHAPMAN

What makes a community successful? How do we define diversity, and how is it vital to the health of a society?

How do economic development and land conservation go hand in hand? Are there ways to get beyond community members' ideological differences to forge empathy and connection?

Representatives of more than two dozen of the organizations that make up the Bethel Area Nonprofit Collaborative met recently to discuss the strategies that shape successful communities, and how to implement those strategies through their work.

BANC's member organizations represent diverse aspects of the community and focus on a variety of initiatives related to education, the environment, economic development, culture, recreation, and health and wellness.

BANC supports their efforts by providing opportunities for collaboration that enhance the ability of individual organizations to garner funding and implement programs.

Peter Forbes was the facilitator for a day-long retreat sponsored by BANC and held at Mahoosuc Mountain Lodge in Newry. A consultant who advocates for the relationship between people and place, Forbes has worked all over the world, including in Nepal, Central America, Hawaii, New York City, and the American West.

He has been a photographer, a political consul-

tant, and a conservationist, but said he considers himself first and foremost a farmer, raising Icelandic sheep and organic berries on his family farm in Vermont's Mad River Valley.

Learning to listen
Forbes told the group that even when people appear to hold viewpoints that are diametrically opposed, there are always opportunities to find common ground. The first step, he said, is learning to listen.

Participants practiced listening by teaming up with someone they did not know well and briefly sharing their life stories. Then, based on what they had heard, they reflected back their perceptions of the other's strengths and what inspired them.

Many in the group were surprised at how much they were able to learn about another person in just a few minutes.

"We interact every day in so many superficial ways, but this got down to the quick," said Marcel Polak, who represented the SAD 44 School Board and the Maine Association of Conservation Commissions.

Katey Branch of the Alan Day Community Garden agreed. "Being with someone who is listening closely gives us space to decide how intimate to be, what details to share," she said. "Listening really is the better half of speaking," said Forbes. "To listen, to really hear the other person, and what they care about, allows us to be open to a different point of view."

He acknowledged that this has become more dif-

ficult in recent years. "It is getting harder and harder to talk to each other. It's hard to have a conversation that doesn't immediately go to ideology."

In 1964, Forbes said, a divided Congress was able to pass both the Civil Rights Act and the Wilderness Act.

"That wouldn't be possible in today's political climate," he said.

University of Maine 4-H Center Director Ryder Scott said that when he met Senator Angus King recently, King explained that unlike many current members of Congress, he had made a decision to live full-time in Washington. He invites colleagues to get together outside of the Senate session in order to get to know one another better.

"He says it's impossible to hate someone when you know the names of their children," Scott said.

"Become an edge-walker"

"We are making edges and borders less permeable," Forbes said, referring both to "hard edges" like the U.S. border with Mexico or Israel's borders, and to perceived borders, like those between races, age groups, socio-economic classes, or political interest groups.

"Edges are the places where everyone mixes," he said. "Successful communities are those which are able to keep those edges permeable. A community's ability to innovate relies on its ability to accept difference."

Fragmentation, which weakens the structure of a community, happens when communities don't

honor diversity. "It is impossible for any one sector to succeed in solving problems," Forbes said. "Whole communities work."

"Become an edge-walker," he advised. "Let go of assumptions about others. Listen to, and hear, their stories."

Jean Bass cited the Mahoosuc Music Makers community band as an example of people coming together from diverse backgrounds around a common interest.

SAD 44 Superintendent David Murphy said there is more collaboration now than there was just a few years ago among the Bethel area, the Oxford Hills, and the River Valley. "The separation is not as pronounced," he said. "We are moving toward sharing resources and more collaboration."

Economic development and "true wealth"

Participants represented organizations focused on conservation and land issues, such as the Mahoosuc Land Trust, and groups concerned primarily with health and wellness, like Healthy Oxford Hills, River Valley Healthy Communities Coalition, Let's Go 5210 Oxford County, and the Local Food Connection.

Others, like SAD 44, Gould Academy, Western Mountains Senior College, Mahoosuc Arts Council, Maine Mineral and Gem Museum, and West Parish Congregational Church, are educational and cultural institutions.

Groups representing the tourism and recreation industry included the Bethel

Outing Club, the Outdoor Center, and Mahoosuc Pathways.

Asked what they considered "true wealth," participants responded with "our way of life," "safety," "education," "the view out the windows," and "the people in the room."

"It's healthy community members at all stages of life," one said.

"It's the opportunity to pursue your passions," added another.

Participants agreed that a healthy economy and sustainable economic development are vital to the overall health of the community. They pointed to a need for economic development that is compatible with the priorities that are important to community members.

Forbes said that communities are usually organized for either consumption or production. Examples of consumption economies are suburban "bedroom" communities, or those that depend largely on a tourism economy, rather than the production of materials and goods.

"The choice is constantly presented as either/or, but having both is what makes a whole community," he said.

"Our economy isn't going to go back to big employers with big benefits," said Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Robin Zinchuk. "But there are so many opportunities here for entrepreneurs."

Empowering youth

As the session wrapped up, Telstar High School senior Tyra Howes said the future depends on em-

powering young people at an early age, and getting them interested in supporting their community.

"We can bring community members into the schools to promote community service opportunities," she suggested. "We just need to identify what each person's spark is, what gets them up in the morning."

Telstar Middle School eighth grader Mia Shiffrin stressed the importance of adults modeling positive behaviors, saying that her own parents' involvement in community organizations like the Mahoosuc Land Trust had led her to see active participation in the community as an important responsibility.

At the end of the day, Bob Iles of the Mahoosuc Land Trust said he was impressed by how representatives of so many diverse groups were able to come together to focus on topics that are important to all of them.

"What we're doing is very unusual," agreed Zinchuk. "Many communities would love to have the level of collaboration and community engagement that we have."

Founded in 2008 by a task force representing nine area nonprofits, BANC has grown to a membership of 30 organizations. In May, the Mahoosuc Arts Council received a two-year \$30,000 grant from the William Bingham II Betterment Fund to share an outreach and communications specialist with BANC to enhance opportunities for collaboration among member organizations.

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- Business owner with husband Dave (Mahoosuc Productions), mother, community volunteer at Crescent Park, the PTA, and Bethel Food Pantry.
- Board of Directors Mahoosuc Kids Association and Mahoosuc Pathways.
- 18 year employee at Sunday River, former Human Resources Manager, currently real estate broker.
- Former Maine whitewater guide.

Key issues:

Job creation relating to tourism and small business • Healthcare • Quality Education

What they're saying about Callie Pecunies for State Representative...

Cathy & Charlie Newell, Greenwood

Callie Pecunies will make a great legislator. Her outlook is always positive and optimistic. She has a deep commitment to public service. She will bring her knowledge of the area, her high energy level, and her ability to work with colleagues across the aisle to the legislature. Callie volunteers as a board member for Mahoosuc Kids Association, Mahoosuc Pathways, and on the team for the District Exchange Food Pantry, collecting food from Good Shepherd and working to pack and distribute food each month and she volunteers at local schools.

Dave Bean, Bethel

Callie Pecunies deserves huge thanks for overseeing the Bethel Food Pantry when needed, making food runs to the Good Shepherd Food Bank in Auburn, for USDA food, recently 1400 lbs, in Lewiston, and speaking for the Bethel Food Pantry at the Crop Walk Dinner. Along with all that, she volunteers at the Bethel Food Pantry with her husband and her two sons.

Bill & Nancy White, Hanover

Callie is a thoughtful and logical thinker. She is a straight-forward communicator and comfortable standing up for her principals. Callie listens and will be responsive to her constituents. She is a successful business person who is not afraid to work hard to accomplish her goals. Having worked at and around Sunday River Ski Area for many years, most recently in real estate, Callie understands the importance of tourism and economic development to our area. Her children attend local schools and she is committed to improving education in our region. She has been a consistent volunteer for local non-profits.

Senator John Patrick, Rumford

Callie Pecunies is a great choice for State Representative in District 117. Her background in the tourism industry and with the small business she and Dave operate, her interest in education as the mother of school age children and her organizational ability make her stand out and will be great assets in the legislature. She understands that our rural area must have strong voices in Augusta. I hope to be serving as your State Senator again and will look forward to having Callie as a member of our delegation!

Maisey Griffin, Telstar #14

Callie Pecunies for State Representative has the energy, vision and attitude to stand strong in Augusta and work hard for a positive future. Her heart is for the people — to listen and help. It seems like it's time for a change in Augusta. A young, accomplished, dedicated community supporter like Callie is just the kind of representation we all need. She has an understanding for the different generations in our communities, and is keen to compromise.

Amanda Moran, Newry

Voting is a civic duty which I cherish. It is your chance to have your say about our government, which is why this year I will be voting for Callie Pecunies. She is tenacious, driven and doesn't stop until she sees results. Her commitment to this community is unerring, and her service to our Food Pantry, Mahoosuc Pathways and PTA speaks for itself. I am confident that her accomplishments in the house will be many, and that she will do her utmost to give us all a voice there.

Jim Doar, former Bethel Town Manager

I have had the pleasure and honor of knowing Callie Pecunies, her husband Dave and their two boys the past six years. I have witnessed firsthand their love of Maine's great outdoors. As a public servant representing District 117, I know Callie will fight tirelessly to ensure our grandchildren can fish, hunt, hike, camp and recreate in Maine's forests and on Maine's mountains just like our grandparents did. Callie will work diligently in Augusta to improve the business climate so young people no longer need to move away to find better opportunities for themselves and their families. Callie Pecunies is the right fit for District 117 and will represent the people well in Augusta. She is driven, dedicated to the community, and conducts herself with a high degree of integrity.

John DeVivo & Amy Forbes DeVivo, Bethel

As political independents with no particular party affiliation, we vote our conscience based upon the issues at hand, and Callie is tuned into the issues that are most important to us. Chief amongst these issues is our local education system. We've known Callie a long time and have raised our children alongside her and her husband, Dave, and have discussed the education issue at length in recent years. With five kids between us, all of them MSAD 44 students, the quality of our local education system is paramount to us. Most importantly, Callie is a school, soccer and ski mom with a history of, and very serious interest in, public service. She'll have our votes in November, and we encourage you to do some research and gauge her position on the issues that most interest you. We're confident that you'll see your way toward sending her to Augusta, as well.

Chuck & Betsey Phillips, Franconia NH

We have a unique view of Callie on why she would be the best choice for state representative for the voters of Maine District 117. Callie is our daughter and we know her better than most. We've watched her on the campaign trail meeting people, finding out what's important to them and what issues mean the most. She has knocked on thousands of doors from Eustis to Rangley to, Byron to Bethel to Stow and all the towns and plantations in between. She has listened to people's wants, needs and issues and will work hard to make life better for the people of her district. Callie understands how important the vast natural resources are to the economy of Maine. As long as she's been able she's been a skier, a hiker, a runner, a paddler, a camper, and a fisherman. She's worked in the outdoor recreation industry for 20 years and has played for many more. Callie wants to go

to Augusta and work to make some real changes — changes that are important to the health and education of the people of District 117 and to the economy that feeds and sustains them.

Nancy Willard, Woodstock

I am pleased to write in support of Callie Pecunies for Maine District 117. Her youth, energy, enthusiasm, experience in business, education, volunteerism, work ethic and pleasing personality are strengths that will make her an excellent Representative. She is willing and able to work with others no matter their party affiliation. With all of her varied work and personal experience, I sincerely believe Callie is ready and capable of representing our area and the citizens of Maine extremely well.

Bonnie & Jim Largess, Newry

We are writing to endorse Callie Pecunies for the Maine House of Representatives, District 117. Over the 18+ years that we have known Callie she has shown the ability to balance family and career, a tireless work ethic and the determination to finish what she starts, traits that will serve our area well in Augusta. One of her areas of focus is ensuring everyone has access to first-rate, affordable health care. Her passion for this topic comes from the personal experience of having a family member in need of specialized medical treatment. Having gone through a similar situation we understand the value of having a health care system that is accessible and puts the patient needs first. Both our families were blessed to see full recoveries and are forever thankful to the health care providers and facilities that led to that outcome. Callie will work diligently to see that type of quality health care is affordable for all Mainers. We encourage you to join us in supporting Callie by exercise your privilege to vote on Nov. 4.

Kirk & Martha Siegel, Albany Twp.

The Maine legislature and House District 117 will best be served by a representative with energy and willingness to work collaboratively on the critical issues we face. Callie Pecunies meets that need and as a small business owner with two decades of experience working in the recreation industry will be a great asset for us. Her active service as a volunteer for numerous school and youth-centered causes demonstrates her commitment to education and she understands the importance of educating our young people to be competitive in our global economy. Callie will work tirelessly as our representative and she will have our vote on Nov. 4.

Robin Zinchuk, Albany Twp.

I am writing this letter in support of Callie Pecunies in her candidacy to be the Representative of District 117. As a long-time resident of Albany Township, a parent and a business owner, I have worked with many elected officials from both parties. I believe that Callie has all the right skills and insights to serve both the residents and the businesses of this region. After speaking with her at length about her positions on issues that could affect the future of our region and State, I truly think she is the right person for the job!

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Community Calendar

District Exchange; Bethel Park, 23 Mason Street, Bethel. Hours: Monday 1 to 4 p.m., Thursday 4 to 6 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Donations of gently-used clothing only accepted during open hours - No exceptions. FMI: 824-4090. Clothing may also be left at Northeast Bank, Main Street, Bethel Monday through Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Thursday and Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Bethel Area Food Pantry; serving the residents of Albany, Andover, Bethel, East Bethel, West Bethel, Bryant Pond, Gilead, Greenwood, Hanover, Locke's Mills, Mason Township, Newry, Upton and Woodstock. The Food Pantry is open on the second Monday of each month from noon to 8 p.m. Anyone in need of food should come during those hours, without appointment. The Food pantry is located in the basement of the Nazarene Church, 16 Church Street, Bethel, by the side entrance on Park Street.

Thursday, Oct. 30

Grades 3-5 Halloween Concert; 6 p.m., Crescent Park School.

Adult Craft Night; 6:30 p.m., Norway Memorial Library. Make fun and colorful paper decorations in celebration of the Mexican holiday, Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead). Cindy Reedy will demonstrate how to make Papel picado ("perforated paper"), a decorative craft made out of paper cut into elaborate designs. We will also be making colorful tissue paper flowers. Participants are asked to bring their own scissors. Other supplies will be provided. This program is free and open to the public. Visit the information desk or call 743-5309 ext. 1 to register.

Friday, Oct. 31

Waterford Library Coffee Shop Opening; 9 a.m. to noon, Waterford Library. The Waterford Library will host a coffee shop every Friday morning starting Oct. 31. Everyone is welcome to come for coffee or tea and pastries. Come with your friends or meet new friends there. The idea is to foster community, enjoy the conversations and connect with your neighbors.

Fall Harvest Festival; 6 to 7:30 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walkers Mills Road (across from Telstar parking lot). Features "Trick or Trunk," games, tattoos for the kids, cider and more. FMI: 824-2289.

Halloween Fundraiser Dance; 7 to 10 p.m., Locke's Mills Town Hall (upstairs). Shadagee Ramblers and Don Chase, 50/50, door prizes, costume contest. \$7 per person. Proceeds benefit Town Hall Building Fund.

Saturday, Nov. 1

Senior Citizen Luncheon, Reservation Deadline; Reservations for the Nov. 12 meeting of the Bethel Senior Citizens must be made by Nov. 1. See Nov. 12 listing for details.

Craft Fair; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Maine Veterans Home, 477 High Street, South Paris. Refreshment table open.

Christmas Fair; 1 to 3 p.m., West Bethel Union Church. Crafts, baked goods and cookie walk.

Hunter's Supper; 4 to 6:30 p.m., Locke's Mills Legion Hall, 595 Gore Road. Baked beans, chop suey, hot dogs, coleslaw, biscuits and assorted desserts. \$7/adults, \$3/children under 12. Proceeds to benefit the Legion Post and Auxiliary Programs.

Bluegrass Concert with Tricky Britches; 7 to 10 p.m., Mahoosuc Mountain Lodge, North Newry. \$10 per person, half price for children under 16. FMI: 824-2073 or info@mahosuc.com.

Mock Hee-Haw Show; 7 p.m., Franklin Grange, Main Street, Bryant Pond. Featuring performances from John Sparrow, the Milltown Road Show, Richard Felt and

Friends, the Shadagee Ramblers and more. Refreshments, door prizes and 50/50 raffle. \$6/adults, \$3/children under 12. Proceeds benefit the Franklin Grange Building Fund.

Monday, Nov. 3

Essentials of College Planning for adults 19 and over; 10 a.m., Western Maine University and Community College Center, South Paris. FMI/Registration: 1-800-281-3703 or http://meoc.maine.edu. Free and open to the public.

Flu Clinic; 1 to 4 p.m., Andover Town Hall. There is a \$25 fee for those that are uninsured. Please bring MaineCare, Medicare and/or other insurance information. FMI: Karen Swan (392-4031).

Socrates Café meeting; 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Waterford Library. Topic: How should political campaigns be financed? Moderator: Therese Johnson. Light refreshments available. FMI: 583-6957.

E-Team Screening; 7:30 p.m., Gould Academy. Award-winning documentary film director, Ross Kauffman will be here in person and available for the question and answer session after the screening of his new documentary E-Team. This is Kauffman's second visit to Gould - during his first visit last year, Mr. Kauffman spoke about his Academy Award-winning film, Born Into Brothels. E-Team is also available to view on Netflix: http://www.eteamfilm.com.

Tuesday, Nov. 4

Hunter's/Election Day Supper; 5 p.m., Andover Congregational Church, Andover. Baked beans, hot dogs, mac and cheese, beverages and desserts. \$8/adults, \$4/children under 10. Wear hunter orange to be included in the door prize drawing - a wildlife quilt by Shirley York, Blue Moose Quilting. FMI: Sharon (392-4351) or Shirley (369-0575).

Wednesday, Nov. 5

CPS PTA Meeting; 6 p.m., Crescent Park School Cafeteria. All are welcome.

Snow Valley Sno-Goers Meeting; 6 p.m. at the clubhouse off Route 5, Andover. All members and anyone interested in area snowmobiling is welcome to attend.

Thursday, Nov. 6

WMSC Alzheimer's Presentation; 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Bethel Congregational Church. "The Basics: Memory Loss, Dementia and Alzheimer's Disease" presented by Dr. William J. Kirkpatrick. FMI: Rosabelle Tift (824-2053).

Small Business Inventory Management Workshop; 6 to 8 p.m., Norway Town Office, 19 Danforth Street, Norway. \$25 per person. Returning veterans of the armed forces are encouraged to attend at no charge. FMI/Registration: Rebecca Dowse (743-0499 or dowse@roadrunner.com).

Adult Book Discussion; 6:30 p.m., Norway Memorial Library. Book: Frankenstein by Mary Shelley. FMI: 743-5309.

Friday, Nov. 7

Oxford County Gem & Mineral Assn. Charity Auction; 7 p.m., Oxford Hills High School. Open to the public. Proceeds to benefit local charities. FMI: Ken Briggs (665-2607) or Dennis Gross (665-2759).

Alder River Grange Meeting; Peel party to prepare for Nov. 8 turkey supper.

Saturday, Nov. 8

Hope Association Crafting/Scrapbooking Day; 7 to 9 a.m. Silent auctions, swap table, 50/50. Tables are \$35. FMI/Registration: Sally Theriault (364-4561).

Oxford Hills Honey Bee Club Workshop; 1 p.m., Oxford County Extension Center, 9 Olson Road, South Paris. The club will be answering any questions you may have on wintering bees. FMI: Kevin (farrout@roadrunner.com).

Swingin' Bears Square Dance Club; 7 to 10 p.m., Oxford Hills Middle School, 100 Pine Street, South Paris. Mainstream and plus dance alternating with round dancing with Don Bachelder and Carol Arsenault. Refreshments at intermission, door prizes, 50/50. Admission: \$6, non-dancers welcome at no charge. FMI: Eleanor (782-4050) or www.squaredanceme.us.

Monday, Nov. 10

Stamping Up Class with support from Kathy Pulsifer; 10 to 11:30 a.m., SMH Cancer Center, 199 Main Street, Norway. Join Kathy Pulsifer from Stamping Up and have fun exploring your creativity with rubber stamping. This is a great time to Create, Laugh and Enjoy creating projects together! This is a free class for patients with cancer, cancer survivors, and caregivers.

Tuesday, Nov. 11

Look Good Feel Better; 6 to 8 p.m., SMH Cancer Center, 199 Main Street, Norway. The SMH Cancer Center invites patients with cancer, cancer survivors, and caregivers to attend this hands-on workshop that will discuss and demonstrate skin care/makeup as well as options for hair loss.

Wednesday, Nov. 12

Bethel Senior Citizens Meeting/Luncheon; 11 a.m., Locke's Mills Legion hall. Reservations must be made before Nov. 1 by calling Arlene Lowell at 824-2877. Price of dinner is \$10.

Thursday, Nov. 13

TMS Parent Teacher Conferences; 4 to 7:30 p.m., Telstar Middle School. Please call the Telstar Middle School Office at 824-2136 ext. 500 to schedule an appointment.

Mollycokett Trout Unlimited Meeting; 7 p.m., McLaughlin Science Center (second floor, first classroom on the right) Gould Academy, Bethel. Slide presentation about aquatic insects followed by time to view insect specimens under microscopes. FMI: Lee (743-9808).

Friday, Nov. 14

Jewelry Beading Class with support from Live! Accents; 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., SMH Cancer Center, 199 Main Street, Norway. Join Cathy Murphy a local artisan from Live! Accents and make your own cancer awareness bracelet using fiber optic beads and pearls. All materials will be provided for the class. This is a free class for patients with cancer, cancer survivors, and caregivers.

Saturday, Nov. 15

Craft Fair; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Telstar High School Cafeteria. Crafts, Chinese Auction, bake sale. To rent a space or for more info, call Sally at 875-3335. Proceeds to benefit the Telstar Alumni Association.

Explorations Final Season Art Exhibit; 2 to 4 p.m., Jordan Grand Hotel, Sunday River. A celebration of 25 years of creative expression. Free and open to the public. FMI: www.arlapatch.com.

Benefit Concert and Silent Auction; 7 to 11 p.m., Locke's Mills Legion Hall. Refreshments and beverages available. 21+ BYOB. Music by the Ball Brothers and The Way Back Machine. Tickets: \$10 per person or \$15 per couple, available at the Local Hub or at the door. Proceeds to benefit Mahoosuc Regional Youth Football Association and Telstar High School Football Boosters.

Church Services

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Congregational Church - Hunts Corner; 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School at 9 a.m.; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Thursdays at the home of Fernand Corriveau.

ANDOVER

First Congregational Church - Rev. Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10 to 11 a.m. followed by brunch. All welcome. FMI: 392-3761.

Calvary Bible Church - Pastor Ken Wagstaff; Morning worship (summer hours) 9:30 a.m., followed by brunch. Wednesday prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m. Route 5, South Andover. 392-1121.

BETHEL

Bethel Alliance Church - 251 Walker's Mills Road, Rev. Kevin Bellinger, Senior Pastor and Nicholas Lutz, Youth Pastor. Sundays: 9 a.m. Sunday School for adults, teens and children; 10 a.m. Worship Service (Nursery care and Children's Church are available); 4:30-6 p.m. Kidz Klub (4 yrs-5th grade). Thursdays: 5-7 p.m. Middle and High School Youth Group. FMI: 207-824-2289.

Bethel Church of the Nazarene - 16 Church Street, Bethel. Sunday School, 9:30 (for all ages). Pastor Peter Carter. The third Sunday of every month at 9 a.m. breakfast open to the public, no charge. Morning Worship 10:30. Wednesday evening 6 p.m. Prayer and Bible Study. FMI, transportation or prayer please contact Elaine Carter 415-9136, or Juanita Korhonen 665-2528.

Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, Our Lady of the Snows - 265 Walkers Mills Road (Route 26), Fr. Gregory Dube may be reached at the parish office 364-4556. Saturday Mass, 6 p.m. Announcements. FMI: 824-2933.

West Parish Congregational - Church Street. Rev. Richard Bennett. Sundays: 10 a.m. worship and Sunday School Sept.-May. Tuesdays: 8 a.m., informal Prayer Group with coffee in the Chapel. All are welcome. First Wednesday of the month: 8 a.m., Mens' Breakfast Group. Entrance in rear of church. All events open to everyone. This is an open and affirming congregation. FMI: 824-2689.

United Methodist - 79 Main Street. Pastor Carol Stevens. Sunday worship service 9 a.m. FMI: 824-0797.

West Bethel Union - Morning worship and 9 a.m. Sunday School. FMI: 836-3533.

Pleasant Valley Bible Pastor Dave Fraher. Sunday Services: Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Worship Service, 10 a.m. Ladies Bible study Tuesday, 2:30 p.m. Midweek Bible study and prayer, Wednesday 6 p.m. Awana Club Fridays 3:30 to 5 p.m. (Cubbies ages 3/4 Sparks Grades K-2; children may take bus from school). FMI: 836-2828. Visit us on our Facebook page.

Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship; Meets at the Nazarene Church on Saturdays, on Church Street in Bethel. Sabbath School 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. FMI: 357-7814.

EAST STONEHAM

Oxford County United Parish Churches in Stoneham and North Waterford - Services at 10 a.m. at the North Waterford Congregational Church (UCC), located

ed on the Five Kezars Road, off Routes 35 & 37, opposite Melby's Market. (North Waterford and East Stoneham Congregational Churches will hold their joint services in the church on Route 5 in East Stoneham during May.) Services held at North Waterford through the winter months. Choir practice 9 a.m., followed by Bible Study at 9:15 a.m.

LOCKE'S MILLS

Locke Mills Union - Pastor Sondra Withey. Sunday Morning Service and Sunday School, 9 to 10 a.m. Choir practice at the church every Friday at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. 875-3355.

NORTH WATERFORD/STONEHAM

OXFORD COUNTY UNITED PARISH (North Waterford and East Stoneham) - Summer services at 9 a.m. in the North Waterford Church on Route 35 across from Melby's Eatery. On July 20 a special and casual-church service will be held on the Fairgrounds during the Waterford World's Fair, with shuttle service available on site. In September, services will return to the East Stoneham Church, Route 5, and the regular hour of 10. All are welcome.

NORWAY/PARIS

First Church of Christ, Scientist - Sunday service 10 a.m., Wednesday Testimony service 7:30 p.m. 5 Morrill Rd/Rt. 118 (catercorner to Norway Country Club), Norway. Call 207-890-9944 FMI or ride.

Trinity Lutheran Church - Route 117, South Paris. Pastor Nancy Moore. Sunday morning service 11 a.m. with coffee, refreshments and good fellowship.

North Paris Federation - Morse Hill Road, North Paris. Sunday

Service 8 a.m. Singspiration third Sunday each month alternating with West Paris Baptist Church at 7 p.m. FMI: 689-8000.

Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers) - Sunday worship 9:30 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, South Paris across the park from the Post Office. FMI: call Ursula Brandon at 665-2880 or Sue Reilly at 966-2012

Christ Episcopal Church - 35 Paris St., Norway. Services Sunday at 9 a.m. and Wednesday at 9 a.m. Holy Eucharist. 743-6782; e-mail christch@megalink.net.

First Baptist Church of Paris - On the Common at the top of Paris Hill. 10:30 a.m. worship service. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Coffee hour follows the service. Fellowship lunch held the first Sunday of each month following worship. Pastor Ron Blake. FMI 743-2491.

St. Catherine's - Saturday 4 p.m. Vigile Mass; Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass. FMI 743-2606.

Unitarian Universalist Church of Norway - 11 a.m. worship. (Sept. - June) Child care is provided. Religious education classes 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. FMI 743-2828.

GORHAM, N.H.

Assembly of God - Pastor Paul Levigen. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m. FMI: 603-466-2851.

Gorham Congregational Church - Sunday morning worship, 10 a.m. All welcome; free coffee. Communion is celebrated the first Sunday of each month. FMI: 603-466-2136.

OXFORD

St. Mary's - Saturday 4 p.m. Vigile Mass. 276 King St. Oxford.
Our Lady of Ransom: Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass.

RUMFORD

St. Barnabas Episcopal Church - Worship Service, 9:30 a.m. Special holidays will be announced. Stone church at the rotary. 364-2193.

Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, St. Athanasius and St. John - 125 Main Ave. Monday Liturgy of the word 8 a.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford; Tuesday Mass 6:30 p.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford; Wednesday Liturgy of the word 8 a.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford; Wednesday Mass 9 a.m., Our Lady of the Snows, Bethel; Thursday Mass 8 a.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford; Friday Mass 8 a.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford; Saturday Mass 4 p.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford; Saturday Mass 6 p.m., Our Lady of the Snows, Bethel; Sunday Mass 9:30 a.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford.

Praise Assembly of God - Pastor Justin Thacker. 89 Congress St. Adult and teen Sunday school 9 a.m. Sunday worship service at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday night Bible study 6:45 p.m. FMI: 364-3856.

RUMFORD POINT

Rumford Point Church - Sunday service, 8:30 a.m., followed by coffee and refreshments.

SUMNER
East Sumner Congregational - Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday service, 9 a.m. 207-388-2610.

WEST PARIS

First Universalist Church - 208 Main St., W. Paris. 9 a.m. services September to June. FMI: Bob Clifford 674-3442.

West Paris Baptist - 15 Church St. Sunday Worship 9:45 a.m.; Sunday School 11 a.m.; Word of Life Youth - 6 p.m.; Word of Life Olympians (kids club) - 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study - 7 p.m.; Ladies' ministry, food pantry, third Saturday of month. Pastor Scott Randolph, 376-6854.

Mission Congregational Church - Wallace Farum, pastor. Sunday Worship 8:30 a.m.

WOODSTOCK

Bryant Pond Baptist - Pastor Matt Jones, Sundays: Sunday School 9:15 a.m.; Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.; Evening Service 6 p.m.; Mid-week Service Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.

Woodstock Seventh day Adventist - Pastor Greg Carlson 207-527-2551, Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school. 11 a.m. worship service.

Pinhook Meeting House (Rt. 232, North Woodstock) - Hymn Sing, last Friday of each month, 7 p.m. All welcome.

Mahoosuc Mountain Friends - a worship group meeting in the unprogrammed tradition of Friends (Quakers) - Sundays, 9:30 a.m. at the Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond. Newcomers welcome. FMI: 824-8669.

Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

CODED RIDDLE

Change each letter to the one that comes immediately BEFORE it in the alphabet to find a riddle and its answer.

Here's a copy of the alphabet to guide you:

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

XIBU EP HIPTUT EP XIFO UIFZ

HFU JOUP B DBS? UIFZ CVDLMF

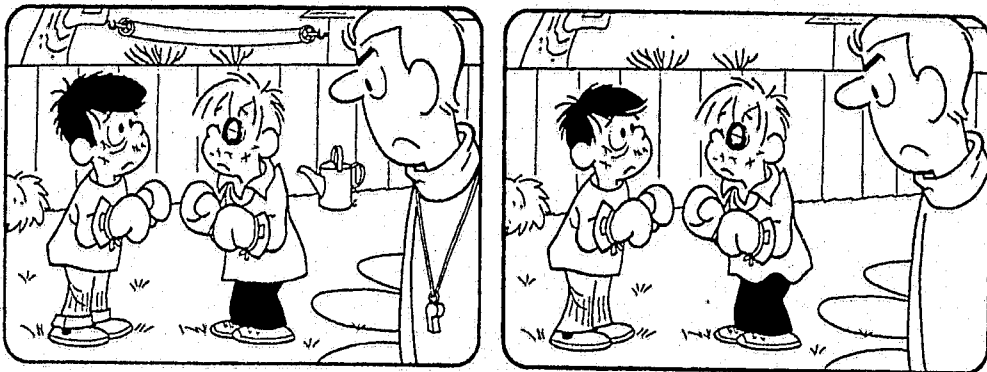
UIFJS TIFFU CFMUT.

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences:
1. Hair is different. 2. Pants are different. 3. Clothesline is missing. 4. Shirt is different. 5. Watering can is missing. 6. Whistle is missing.

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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: X equals G

EJYQV YNQ GHHL NEU E

AODNER TNOIQ AELOWX EW

HAQIQY, DNQ THFWU FR TOYN

QXX HW NQV JEGQ.

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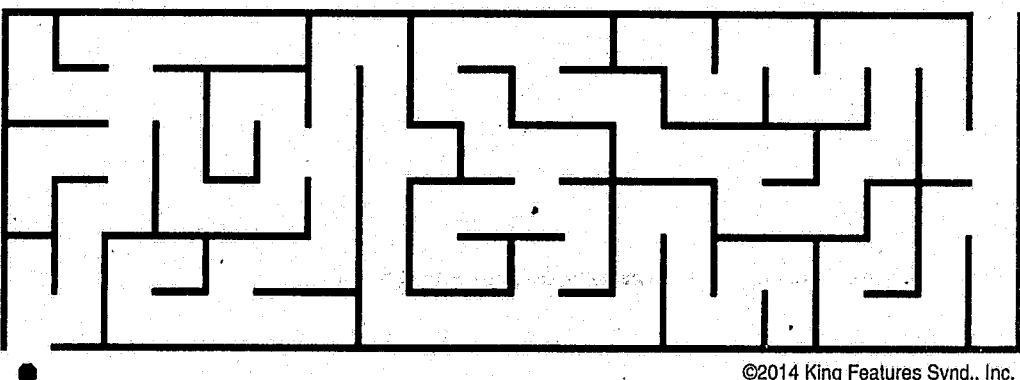
SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Scour
BADEAR
Easy
MOTHOS
Origin
CUREOS
Conflict
STUPIDE

TODAY'S WORD

Kids' Maze



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Super Crossword

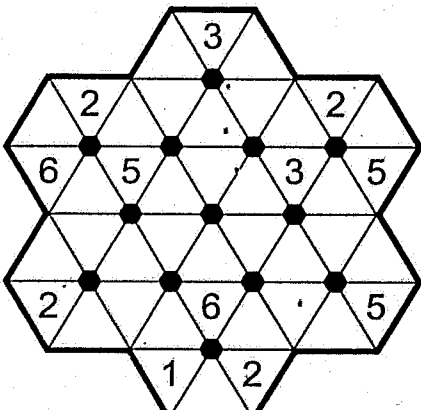
PUZZLING BEHAVIOR

- ACROSS**
- Stored up
 - Redirects
 - A little off
 - "I was wrong ... big deal!"
 - Single-issue publication
 - First extra inning
 - Place to stay apart from others
 - Aquarium growth
 - Store away
 - Swine
 - X-ray cousin
 - Furrow
 - Cities, informally
 - Schubert's "Trout," e.g.
 - Select for jury duty
 - City near Cologne
 - "Fee, fi, fo, —"
 - Certain job lineup for a computer
 - R&B legend Marvin
 - Ultimate
 - Cry from churchgoers
 - Robotic rock group
 - Office missive
 - This or that
- DOWN**
- Ten: Prefix
 - Irish New Ager
 - Lifted-out, boldfaced article excerpt
 - Jeanne d'Arc: Abbr.
 - Ski lift
 - Like some hygiene
 - Appropriated
 - Something often dodged
 - Camp David
 - Brother of Fidel Castro
 - Harsh
 - Sidelong look
 - PC screen type
 - Tiara-winning teen
 - Emmy-winning Falco
 - Catch wind of
 - De-intensify
 - Ascend
 - "The Walltons" actor Will
 - Sleek, briefly
 - Place for GIs
 - Jenny Craig regimen
 - Schoolroom surprises
 - Make mad
 - As blind as —
 - Throws from a saddle
 - Spat
 - Puente or Jackson
 - Island greetings
 - Always, in verse
 - Fissure
 - Soprano
 - Tetrazzini
 - Less wild
 - Fitting exhortation to someone solving this puzzle?
 - Harsh
 - In the best case
 - Prizes highly
 - Responses of consent
 - Frightful flies
 - Wear
 - Vipers
 - Humorist
 - Sahl
 - Orman locale
 - Yukons and Xterras
 - Old Lloyd Bridges TV series
 - 911 agt.
 - IBM's old chess-playing computer
 - Illusionist Henning
 - With 81-Down, confused
 - Mice and lice
 - Make hostile
 - Köln's river
 - Rocky peak
 - Rd. crossers
 - Game maker since 1972
 - Casaba, e.g.
 - Gold block
 - Ward (off)
 - Bed cover
 - Sue
 - Grafton's "— for Quarry"
 - Breath mint alternative
 - Not optional: Abbr.
 - "The Raven" writer
 - "I Get a Kick Out —"
 - Juan's "what"
 - 2010 Apple debuts
 - Citi Field mascot
 - Fragment
 - Faris of films
 - "— girom!"
 - Tennis great
 - Chris
 - Plentiful
 - Booze
 - Take — for the worse
 - Galleria unit
 - Head, in Québec
 - Place for movie titles
 - Decorator de Wolfe
 - Like ketchup
 - "Star Wars" guru
 - Guilar's ancestor
 - Rotational force
 - Raise in price by successive offers
 - "As I Lay Dying" father
 - The — Sod (Ireland)
 - Apples and pears
 - Baseballer
 - Banks
 - Doze
 - Chest beater
 - Cummedgeon
 - 71 — Nostra (Mafia's kin)
 - Gibbons of TV talk
 - Insertion mark
 - Smelling waste
 - Eleniak of "Baywatch"
 - Jim Croce's "— a Name"
 - See 9-Down
 - Eyed intently
 - Accoutered
 - Smallest litter member
 - R&B's — Hill
 - Good buddy
 - Put in solitary
 - High figs. for Einsteins
 - Green gem
 - minerals
 - "Crazy" singer Cline
 - Give a big lift
 - Very big books
 - "Vol!à!"
 - Knitting balls
 - Adorée of silent films
 - Road crew goo
 - Dudes
 - Les — (French for "some")
 - of March
 - 640-acre unit
 - The "A" of PTA: Abbr.
 - "Good Will Hunting" sch.
 - Age-verifying docs.
 - Corrida
 - holler
 - Eygone
 - Russ. state

SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

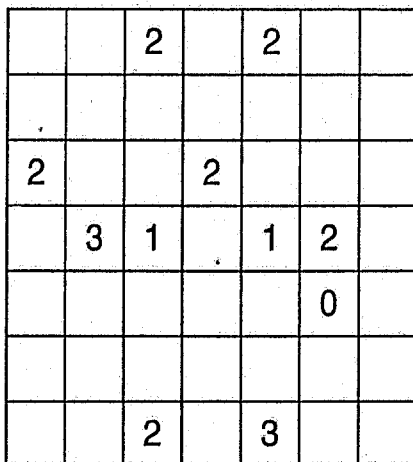
◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

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Star★Map

By Linda Thistle.

Draw a star in exactly 10 of the empty squares in the diagram below so that each numbered square accurately indicates how many immediately adjacent squares (horizontally, vertically or diagonally) contain a star.



DIFFICULTY: ★

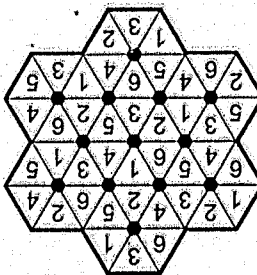
★Easy ★★Moderate ★★★YOWZA!

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Kids' Maze Solution

Cryptoquip
After the cook had a mishap while making an omelet, she wound up with egg on her face.
Answer

SCRAMBLERS
Today's Word:
1. Abrade; 2. Smooth; 3. source; 4. Dispute
solution



SNOWFLAKES
solution

Puzzles4Kids
Answer
What do ghosts do when they get into a car?
They buckle their seat belts.

Star★Map
solution

ANSWERS:

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Small Business Inventory Management

Oxford Hills SCORE is pleased to announce a new workshop entitled "Small Business Inventory Management." The program will be presented Thursday, Nov. 6 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Norway Town Office, 19 Danforth Street, Norway.

Join us in this workshop where we will review what is included in inventory for a manufacturing or retail business, how to cost the inventory so your products are properly priced and best practices for safeguarding your inventory from theft.

We will also discuss how to make sure that you have sufficient inventory on hand and yet not too much, as well as using a

manual system to record inventory or using software to do so for your inventory count requirements as a small business. This workshop will also provide valuable information on the "Just in Time" method of inventory management.

Our instructor is Anthony Tenneson, an Associate Academic Dean at Kaplan University who has an MS in Accounting from Kaplan University and a BS in Business Administration from the University of New England. His experience includes full time instruction in Accounting at Kaplan for 8 years, ownership of AAT Accounting Services for 6 years and CFO of the Merrill Com-

panies for 32 years. He is a member of the National Society of Accountants and the National Association of Tax Preparers so he brings a wealth of information on this important topic.

Please plan to register no later than Tuesday, Nov. 4 to hold a seat for this two hour workshop scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 6 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Norway Town Office. This workshop carries a fee of \$25 per person and we encourage returning Veterans of the Armed Services to attend this workshop at no charge. Register by calling Rebecca Dowse Oxford Hills SCORE 207-743-0499 or dowse@roadrunner.com.



NEW CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BOARD-A new Board of Directors was elected at the Chamber's Annual Business Meeting & Dinner Oct. 23 at the Bethel Inn Resort. Seated: Maggie Kroenke, Maine Mineral & Gem Museum; Lloyd Sweetser, Northeast Bank; Amy Amann, 22 Broad St. @ Gideon Hastings House; Sarah Lane (alternate Bethel Bait Tackle & More); Hope Doyle (alternate Bethel Maine Hostel). Middle row: Julia Reuter, staff; Sara Hemeon, Elements Gallery/Little Bits Consignment; Jeremy Fredette, Bethel Bait Tackle & More; Deb Doyle, Bethel Maine Hostel; Jessie Perkins, staff; Robin Zinchuk, staff. Back: Eric Souther (alternate, ELC Outdoors); Matthew Hiebert, Maine Energy Systems; Ron Savage, Mahosuc Realty/Black Diamond Steakhouse; Glen Holmes, Community Concepts Finance Corp.; John Amann (alternate, 22 Broad St.); Jim Cochran, ELC Outdoors; Bill Strauss, Future Metrics; Dave Scanlan, Mt. Abram Ski Area. Absent: Laurie Herron, Royal River Graphics; Brad Jerome, Bethel Inn Resort; Kim Sparks, Town of Greenwood & Mia Purcell (alternate Community Concepts Finance Corp). Submitted photo

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The Elusive Black Bear: A More Realistic View

Ursus americanus is the smallest of the three species of bears found in North America and the most reclusive. In our area black bears although rarely encountered often provoke irrational fear. Terrifying images of snarling black bears with bloody jaws poised for attack appear on the covers of hunting magazines and over the Internet, while thousands of children hug cuddly teddy bears. These

extremes in attitude and behavior suggest that the bear embodies the Spirit of the Wilderness in both its most frightening and comforting aspects. But what do we really know about black bears as a mammalian species?

Paleontology teaches us that this shy denizen of the forest co-evolved into its present form on this continent 500,000 years ago with huge meat eating predators like the 1,500-pound short faced bear and the Dire wolf which are now extinct. Black bears are native to this continent and

are found nowhere else. To adapt and survive as prey animals black bears needed forest cover and learned to flee from the first sign of danger by hiding in thick brush or by climbing trees (the primary reason we rarely encounter them in the woods today). Before Europeans came to this country black bears could be found throughout the United States. Indigenous peoples had deep respect for the black bear. Many eastern and western tribes believed that the bear was the "Owner of the Animals" and the most powerful plant healer of all. Acquiring black bear "medicine" involved complex rituals that included hunting "Grandfather" bear which was also believed to sacrifice himself to feed the People. After the European invasion bears were considered bounty and slaughtered like the buffalo, in some areas to extinction.

In Maine cubs became legal game in 1971 as the status of bears gradually rose from vermin to game animal and state wildlife agencies began to recognize that money could be made from killing bears. Because of extirpation and deforestation black bears now inhabit less than a half of their original range. Currently they are most commonly found in the northern parts of this country and in Canada where large tracts of arboreal woods still exist. Their dependence on mature forest for cover, protection, and for fall mast (food: beechnuts, acorns) is presently threatened in Maine because we continue to harvest beech and oaks before they are old enough to produce good crops of nuts. Maine has about 16 percent of mature nut producing forest left.

Although considered omnivores, black bears are 85 percent vegetarian, consuming tender green shoots, corns, roots, buds and flowers in early spring. Tasty beetles, grubs, ants, and larva come next providing the bulk of bear protein. It isn't until the berry crops appear in early summer that black bears begin to gain weight. Without an adequate fall mast of high caloric acorns, beechnuts (in northern Maine the only nut crop) black bears won't gain enough weight to survive hibernation/torpor. Of all the possible foods a bear might eat only five percent of a bear's diet consists of fish, carrion, or the occasional fawn/young moose. After emerging from their dens in April it takes bears about two/three weeks for their metabolism to return to normal. By May bears are hungry and may be driven (instinct overrides caution) into people's backyards to eat birdseed and unsecured garbage if natural foods aren't available. Wandering young sub-adult males that are also searching for new territories are the greatest offenders. Removing birdfeeders and securing garbage can easily remedy this conflict.

Mothers with cubs emerge last in the spring and stay close to the den while the cubs (from one to three) continue to practice their climbing skills. Mothers teach their small (6 to 10 pound) cubs to tree themselves at the first sign of danger. As the season progresses the mother will leave her young hidden safely in the trees to forage on her own or when she visits a bait site later that summer.

Contrary to popular belief, it would be difficult to get between a mother and her cubs because at the first sign of danger she trees the cubs and runs away (however, grizzly bears and polar bears may attack if they believe their cubs are threatened). Females breed in June and July in Maine and practice delayed implantation which means that the blastocyst floats freely in uterus and will not develop until late fall after the mother enters the den. If the female hasn't put on enough fat she will abort. In Maine, cubs are born in January weighing about 12 ounces, and mother is awake and alert responding to each cub's needs. Cubs' blue eyes open at about four weeks and they begin to climb around the den shortly thereafter. Black bear milk is richer than that of any mammal in North America and the cubs will suckle well into their second year. First year cubs will den with mother in the fall (unless the mother has been

shot) and family break-up occurs the following spring (early June in Maine) when the female goes into estrus. This long period of childhood/adolescence - 17 to 19 months is needed so that black bears can teach their young the skills they need to survive. Although females maintain home ranges of about 5 to 6 square miles (that they will share with their daughters) they will travel up to 50 miles out of their home territories to show the cubs where to find berries and nuts.

Black Bears have been prey animals for a long time and are understandably very NERVOUS around humans avoiding them whenever possible. All are very much afraid of other bears until they recognize them as kin. Females with cubs are particularly afraid of males who will sometimes kill a cub in order to bring a female back into estrus. Not much is known about adult male bears beyond the fact that they leave their mother's territory as sub adults in their second or third year, appear to have very large/flexible ranges and have exceptional navigational abilities. Black bears have a very large brain in relationship to their body size and scientific studies indicate that these animals are highly intelligent and surpass chimps in some learning abilities. Black bears have also been observed using tools. What bears do with body fluids during what can be a six to seven month "hibernation" is another mystery. They do not defecate or urinate during torpor (unless a female is birthing cubs) and they do not lose muscle tissue.

The chances of being killed by a black bear are about a million to one. An important question to ask is why so few of these wild bears retaliate when we have treated them with such cruelty? One obvious answer is that black bears are reclusive prey animals that want to co-exist with humans in peace.

Without Minnesota's bear biologist Lynn Rogers' groundbreaking "trust based research" which includes but is not limited to telemetry, videos and den cams we wouldn't know that we could radio collar bears without tranquilizers, or that we could devel-

op relationships with some bears in order to learn about bear behavior from observing individuals and kinship groups in the wild. Dr. Lynn Rogers is the leading black bear biologist in the country because he has studied the species the longest. He worked for the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources until 2013 and established the North American Bear Center/Wildlife Research Institute (bear.org) for scientific and educational purposes. He has been radio-collaring bears for the last 50 years, has extensively studied population densities etc. and has written over forty scientific papers for publication. His longitudinal studies have provided critical information about bear behavior; he has maintained relationships with black bears that span generations, something no one else has done. For more than 30 years Lynn and his students and literally hundreds of participants have been collecting and analyzing data in the field by observing bears as they forage, interact, mate, rest etc. With trust based research, the goal is to have individuals or matrilineal kinship groups become comfortable enough with him (and other bear biologists scientists and interested participants) so that they ignore the humans that are observing them. Ironically the most difficult part of trust based research is getting a bear to tolerate human presence. Most are simply too shy. If bears were as dangerous as we are told they are by the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife (MDIF&W) this kind of research simply could not have been done for all these years without incident. The MDIF&W does not practice a methodology that includes direct interaction with black bears. Why? The notion of developing individual relationships with bears undermines the official MDIF&W position that black bears are dangerous predators that must be killed in order to control their numbers.

Lynn Rogers reminds us that black bear research is still in its infancy. We need many more longitudinal studies of individuals and kinship groups, more videos, den cams, and more study areas to collect data. At the present time there are no black bear experts.

Births

Elodie Iris Murphy

Uljas and Leighann Murphy of Zionville, N.C. are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Elodie Iris Murphy born May 3, 2014 at 12:53 a.m. at Watauga Medical Center in Boone, N.C. weighing 6 pounds 8 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Julia Garner of Raleigh, N.C. and Woody Garner of Dublin, N.C.

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The BAS members are looking for ways to help keep the children in the community safe. "With Halloween coming on a Friday this year, we felt there could be a higher number of children out seeking goodies, and we wanted to do our part to make them more visible to motorists in the area. Trick-or-treating is intended to be a fun event for kids, and we are hoping to help keep it that way."

Following are five tips from the Bethel Ambulance Service:

1) Plot out a map of safe neighborhoods for trick-or-treating.



Let older children take the map with them if they're trick-or-treating on their own.

Know where your kids are, where they are going, and whose houses they will be visiting. Escort younger children to the houses they are visiting.

2) Stick reflective tape on dark costumes—it will help drivers see you.

And make sure your kids can see clearly.

Face paint may work better than a mask when it comes to visibility.

3) Pick a perfect pumpkin for carving.

It should be sturdy, not soft, with a flat bottom so

it doesn't topple over. You can also encourage your kids to paint creative faces on their pumpkins instead of carving.

4) Consider using a glow stick or battery-powered lights instead of candles to light the way for trick-or-treating or in jack-o-lanterns, especially around little kids who could get burned or drapery that could catch fire.

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We love and miss you, Mom, Aunt Cindy, Uncle Bear, Ample, Lacey, Lauren, Lisa, and all those who you are still a part of

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In loving memory of

Robert L. "Bob" Davis
on his birthday
11/4/1925-3/15/2010
Arlene, Elizabeth, Nancy, Lonnie

In memory of

Irene Leonard
November 2, 1926 to March 19, 2002
Gone, but never forgotten.
Love, Jane

In Loving Memory Of Dorothy-Dawn Palmer "Dee-Dee"

3/14/91 ~ 11/3/07

We often sit and think about the years that have passed by and of the happiness and joy that was shared by us.

We think of all the laughter, the smiles and all the fun and, before we even know it, our tears have once again begun.

For, although it brings us comfort to walk down memory lane it reminds us how, without you, life has never been the same.

You are missed so very much, your light still shines and your spirit lives on within our hearts.

We Love You - We Miss You
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